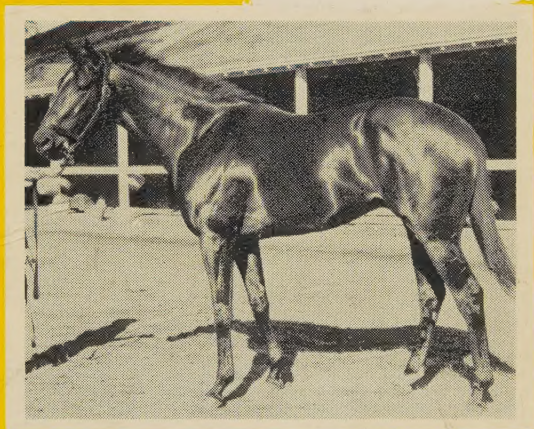


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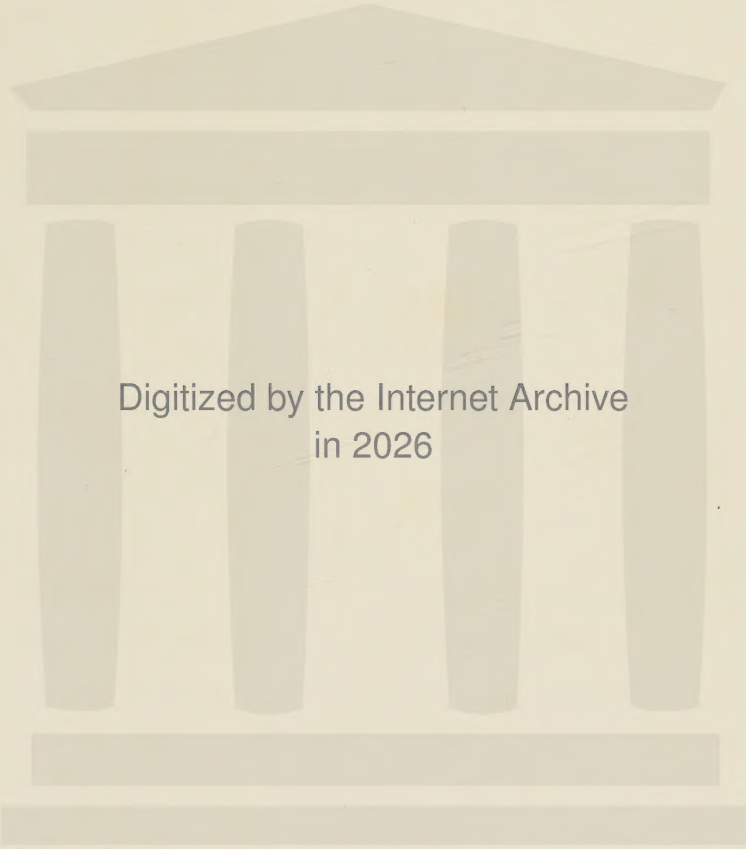
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Foreword

WHEN the American Thoroughbred Breeders Association accepted responsibility for publication of *American Race Horses*, beginning with the 1956 volume, it decided upon changes in size and format, and authorized the inclusion of a much larger number of horses than had been accounted for in any of the 20 previous volumes. The changes, especially the reduction in shelf-size, broke the continuity of a treasured series and thus drew an unfavorable reaction from a few of the collectors who had assembled a full set of these handsome and expensive volumes. They also achieved the ends which the Association had desired. The book was more readable, and certainly more read, because of the lesser page size, and it had four or five times as many readers as the older volumes because it was available at a popular price. It was more useful because of the extension of coverage to a much larger number of horses.

These advantages were not gained without some sacrifice of typographical beauty. The handsome design laid out by the late Vaughn Flannery, when the series was initiated under the sponsorship of young Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt in 1936, could not be accommodated to the smaller pages and the more variable length of stories. Some aspects of Flannery's original design were retained, including the general external appearance, but alterations were more apparent than continuity.

Further changes have been made in the 1957 volume, twenty-second in the series. The book is published directly by the American Thoroughbred Breeders Association; the earlier volumes were published through the agency of the New York firm A. S. Barnes and Company. Letterpress printing has been used for the first time, rather than offset. Composition and printing were done by the Thoroughbred Press in Lexington, Ky. An attempt was made to obtain better pictures and to reproduce them more faithfully.

In order to facilitate quick reference, the horses appear in a single alphabetical series, eliminating the necessity for a comprehensive index.

The first eight volumes of *American Race Horses*, beginning with 1936, were written by John L. Hervey; the next eight, 1944 through 1951, by Joe H. Palmer; the next four, 1952 through 1955, by J. A. Estes. For the 1956 volume, when the scope of the work was greatly

Iron Maiden and her 1954 foal, Iron Liege, a few minutes after the Kentucky Derby winner was born.

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enlarged, the senior author had the assistance of other members of the staff of *The Blood-Horse*, which, like *American Race Horses*, is published by the American Thoroughbred Breeders Association.

In keeping with plans formulated in 1956, the current volume is the work of a larger number of contributors, and each story is initialed to indicate the author. If present plans materialize, a larger staff of contributors will be required for future volumes in the series; the co-operation of the racing press will be welcomed. Warren Schweder, managing editor of *The Blood-Horse*, has served in a dual capacity as editor and production manager of the current volume.

The race horse is, by nature, and by nature of the sport at whose focal point he stands, a difficult subject for narrative. The writer who succeeds in presenting a story entirely without misstatement, misinterpretation, or omission of important data may be commended; but he also may be said to have outraged the laws of probability. In many cases the veterinarian knows the clues to a horse's performance much better than the writer does, but the hospital chart does not hang outside the stall door. The story can be written only from such information as becomes a matter of public record, and it is easy for the record itself to become confused. The interest and co-operation of readers toward keeping the record straight, or setting it straight, will be appreciated by the writers and the publisher.

The principal sources of material having to do with the racing records were the charts compiled for the *Morning Telegraph* and *Daily Racing Form* and the tabulated records in the *American Racing Manual* issued annually by Triangle Publications. These references are supplemented frequently by newspaper and magazine stories, stud books of various countries, sales catalogues, and information received directly from horsemen.

Weights carried are specified only when there are important differences between one horse and another or, as in handicaps, when they constitute an official ranking on the basis of apparent merit. Free handicaps in three age divisions, as made at the end of the year by Frank E. Kilroe and Frank G. Farrell, are included as an appendix to the main text. Most of the divisional leaders, as indicated by these handicaps, are included in the alphabetical list of horses, and the weight assigned is given along with the lines identifying the subject of each article. A dash is used to indicate a horse omitted from the handicaps.

If a story appeared in a previous volume of the series, the reference is made by the initials ARH followed by the year or years in which the horse came under notice. An asterisk (*) denotes a horse imported to North America.

Because of various unavoidable delays, *American Race Horses* 1956 was not published until August of 1957. Nevertheless, it sold so readily that only a few copies were available at the end of the year. A much earlier publication date was in prospect for the 1957 volume.

Conformation pictures are a most important consideration in a book having to do with race horses. Thanks largely to the extra efforts of J. C. Meadors and Allen F. Brewer Jr., the proportion of photographs

worthy of the subject is somewhat higher than in previous volumes, and some excellent examples of the photographer's skill are included. On the other hand, under the conditions of American racing, it is frequently impossible to obtain an adequate conformation study. The attention of owners, trainers, track management, and photographers, if given to this problem, should bring about improvement in a field which has been neglected by all but a few specialists. A good picture is an important part of the record of a good horse.

Special thanks are due to the picture editors of *Sports Illustrated* for their kind permission to reproduce, as a frontispiece, Ylla's appealing photograph of a Kentucky Derby winner at the age of three minutes.

J. A. ESTES

Lexington, Ky., March 17, 1958

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ADMIRAL VEE, ch. h., 1952, War Admiral-Yankee Flirt, by °Blenheim II. Estate of Samuel D. Riddle, breeder; Edward Seinfeld, owner; H. A. Jerkens, trainer. ARH 1956.

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Admiral Vee in 1957 was one of the country's most versatile handicap horses, turning in good performances at six furlongs and $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles.

First stakes of the year for Admiral Vee (120) was the seven-furlong Palm Beach Handicap at Hialeah Park on January 23. He led for five furlongs, then tired and finished fourth to Switch

On (121), Roman Patrol (120), and I Appear (117). In his next start, on February 15, he outfinished Canadian Champ and Skipper Bill to win a six-furlong race at Hialeah in 1:10 $\frac{1}{2}$, $1\frac{1}{2}$ seconds over the track record, and then was shipped to the Fair Grounds, where he was a disappointing eighth in the New Orleans Handicap. At Gulfstream Park on March 11 he beat Needles and Nah Hiss at 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs, running the distance in 1:16, one-fifth of a second slower than the track and world record. Later in the meeting Federal Hill lowered the record to 1:15.

In the six-furlong Paumonok Handicap



Bert and Richard Morgan

Admiral Vee (shadow roll) beat Third Brother (checkered blinkers) three-quarters of a length in the $1\frac{1}{4}$ -mile Edgemere Handicap at Belmont Park June 19. Kingmaker was $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths back in third place.

at Jamaica on April 1, Admiral Vee (122) started much slower than usual, and he was unable to catch Jet Action (123) and Pine Echo (110), being beaten 2½ lengths. He finished third in an overnight handicap on April 18, then was rested for two months before the 1½-mile Edgemere Handicap at Belmont Park on June 19. Carrying 115 pounds, he took the lead soon after the start, put away Kingmaker (119) after six furlongs, and held on to beat Third Brother (124) by three-quarters of a length. Kingmaker lasted for third, followed by Riley (121), Oh Johnny (117), Tick Tock (117), Greek Spy (117), Countermand (114), and Tellarian (115).

Admiral Vee (117) was second for most of the 1¼-mile Suburban Handicap on July 4, but he weakened slightly in the last quarter and dropped to fourth, beaten about three lengths by Traffic Judge (124) and Lofty Peak (118). He was much sharper a month later in the 1 3/16-mile Brooklyn Handicap, also at Belmont. With 120 pounds, he was a close fourth for a mile, then gained four lengths on Portersville (116) in the stretch to lose by a half-length. Tick Tock (118) was third, with Third Brother (126), Riley (120), Grand Canyon (111), Hare Raising (108), and Beam Rider (112) trailing. The time was 1:55½, one-fifth of a second slower than the track record.

Well back in the Atlantic City and Saratoga Handicaps, his next two races, Admiral Vee ran his last good race of the year in the 1¼-mile Merchants' and Citizens' Handicap at Saratoga on August 30. Carrying 119 pounds, second-highest weight in the field, he stayed from one

to two lengths off the pace for a mile, took command leaving the backstretch for the second time, and won by 1¼ lengths. Harmonizing (3, 110), was second, followed by Promethean (3, 104), Argent (118), *Salmon (108), Chevation (117), Greek Admiral (105), *Gold Bell II (113), Thinking Cap (124). The time of 2:59½ was 4¾ seconds over Reigh Count's track record, but it was the best 1¼ miles at Saratoga since Busanda won the 1951 Saratoga Cup in 2:59.

Admiral Vee did not race for more than a month after his Merchants' and Citizens' victory, and when he returned he appeared to be several pounds below his best form.

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Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	22	3	1	6	12	\$ 12,437
1955	3	16	2	1	3	10	7,725
1956	4	23	10	2	2	9	61,300
1957	5	19	4	2	4	9	76,525
		80	19	6	15	40	\$157,987

A DRAGON KILLER, b. c., 1955, Roman Sandal-Lutza, by Market Wise. R. Herren, breeder; Mrs. S. H. Sadacca, owner; H. L. Haymaker, trainer. 111

A Dragon Killer won three of 12 races and earned \$21,062 in 1957. His second in the Dover Stakes and his third in the Sapling Stakes were his best races. He ran at nine different tracks from Florida to New England and the Middle West, getting a piece of the purse in all but three races.

A Dragon Killer was unplaced in two three-furlong races in Florida, in the first of which he was entered for a claiming price of \$10,000. He won two 4½-furlong events at Laurel, but Nisht Amool, Bolero U., Li'l Fella, and Jewel's Reward took his measure in the five-furlong Cherry Hill Stakes at Garden State Park.

In the 5½-furlong Dover, on June 22 at Delaware Park, he closed with a late surge to finish a neck behind Bolero U., which was giving him nine pounds. In

	Man o' War	Fair Play
War Admiral, br., 1934		Mahubah
	Brushup	Sweep
ADMIRAL VEE, ch. h., 1952		Annette K.
	*Blenheim II	Blandford
Yankee Flirt, br., 1938		Malva
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the six-furlong Sapling, on August 7 at Monmouth Park, he stayed within five lengths of Hubcap's pace, but in the last furlong he could not match the drives of Plion (119) and Li'l Fella (124), which finished within a nose of each other. A Dragon Killer (119) was third, and Jewel's Reward (124) was fourth.

It was characteristic of A Dragon Killer to run his races, even the three- and four-furlong sprints, from far off the pace. In the Narragansett Nursery Stakes, he gained seven lengths in the last furlong to finish third to Harlou and Chalk Talk, and only in the six-furlong Ohio Endurance Stakes, in which he beat Maraja by two lengths, was he close to the pace from the start. W. S.

AESCHYLUS, ch. g., 1952, °**Orestes III-Barbara R.**, by °**Aethelstan II. Douglas R. Small**, breeder, owner and trainer. 112

Aeschylus, named for a Greek dramatist, won Randall Park's Youthful Stakes at two, and at three he won Laurel's Turf Cup Handicap. In 1956 he failed to win in five races. One of his four seconds, however, was in the Longfellow Handicap, after which it was discovered that he had been hampered by a chipped bone in one of the pasterns. "He certainly was a basket case if I ever saw one," said owner Douglas R. Small, who had bought the dam, Barbara R., for \$300 at the 1946 Timonium sales. "His leg blew up like a watermelon and we didn't think there was much of a chance to save him." In September the gelding was sent to the University of Pennsylvania, where the bone chip was removed, and he then was turned out at Small's farm at Monkton, Md. In the spring of 1957 Aeschylus was back in business.

At Laurel he won his first two races. He led all the way in a 1½-mile event, beating Lovely Shade a length in 1:42½, one-fifth of a second slower than the track record. Carrying 114 pounds in the Laurel Sprint Turf Handicap, he took

the lead from Lofty Peak (121) in the last furlong and beat °Akbar Khan (113) to the wire by 2 lengths. Unplaced to °Akbar Khan in the Dixie Handicap, he was assigned 118 pounds for Delaware Park's 1½-mile Brandywine Turf Handicap. °Akbar Khan (117), running one of his best races, beat him to the wire by a length in 1:42½, two seconds faster than the track record.

For the one-mile Longfellow, Aeschylus (122) dropped out of contention early, finishing fifth to °Combustion II (110), °Mars II (110), °Tudor Era (118), and Ambiguous (112). W. S.

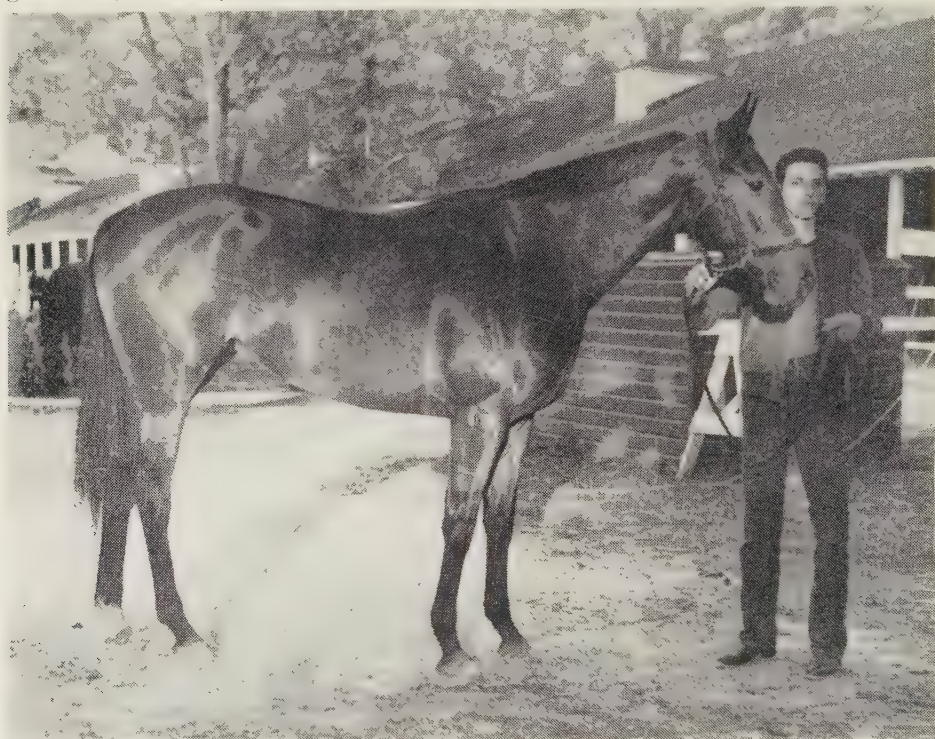
Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	16	4	3	0	9	\$19,082
1955	3	16	4	3	1	8	33,690
1956	4	5	0	4	0	1	7,700
1957	5	5	2	1	0	2	15,145
		—	—	—	—	—	—
		42	10	11	1	20	\$75,617

A GLITTER, br. f., 1955, °**Khaled-A Gleam**, by °**Blenheim II. Calumet Farm (Mrs. Gene Markey)**, breeder and owner; **H. A. Jones**, trainer. 114

The word was out on A Glitter before she made her first start, so that when she went out for a six-furlong event on October 25 at Garden State Park the players unhesitatingly made her an odds-on favorite over a field of maidens. She led all the way over the muddy track, beating Lady Fantasy by a length. After three more races, for each of which she was odds-on, Jimmy Jones put her away for the season.

On October 30, in another six-furlong race at Garden State Park, A Glitter won again, leading every step of the way and finishing two lengths in advance of Honora. Her first stout opposition was in a mile affair on November 4 at Laurel. With a three-length lead at the eighth-pole, Bill Hartack began easing up, and A Glitter slipped under the wire 1½ lengths in front of Big Effort. Hasty Doll and Sweet Mandy were third and fourth. She had won easily,

A Glitter appeared to have inherited the qualities of her distinguished dam and granddam, but her first season of racing was limited by an injured heel.



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but had drifted out at the stretch turn, a maneuver which was repeated in her next race, with less fortunate results.

The $1\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Selima Stakes, contested at Laurel on November 9, was A Glitter's fourth race in a little more than two weeks. For the first time she left the pace to another, holding second place behind Sweet Mandy. Hartack clucked to her on the far turn, and she went to the front easily, but going into the stretch she ran out badly, and by the time Hartack could straighten her up Guide Line and Crown had passed her. Guide Line won by a half-length, and Crown beat A Glitter by six.

A few days later Jones told the press, "I think she's a mare with tremendous ability, but she seems to be hurting a little in one heel. It might be striking the ground, and perhaps we will pack a

little felt there under the shoe to lessen the shock. She hasn't bucked her shins. I had a vet go over her closely. She's the kind of big mare which needs racing."

A Glitter was foaled, on February 6 at the Naylor ranch in California, with an excellent chance to be a first-class filly, in that the female line was rich in racing class. The dam, A Gleam (ARH 1952) was a half-sister to Bardstown, and if it had not been for another Calumet filly, Real Delight, she probably would have been the best 3-year-old of her sex in 1952. A Gleam won eight stakes, mostly in California, and retired with earnings of \$179,045. The second dam was the great race mare Twilight Tear. In A Glitter's first season of racing she won three of four starts, was third once, and earned \$15,050.

W. S.

*AKBAR KHAN, ch. h., 1952, Tehran-Hastra, by Hyperion, Aga Khan and Prince Aly Khan, breeders (in England); Cockfield Stable (Mrs. Marion Eppley), owner; Tom Waller trainer.

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*Akbar Khan, free of any limitations on his ability to cover a distance of ground, showed the best form of his career in 1957, and during the early half of the year he ranked with the country's best grass horses. He had enough speed to set a track record for $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles, enough speed and stamina to set another at $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles.

Badly beaten by Fabricator in the Southern Maryland Handicap and by Third Brother in the Bowie Handicap, in both of which he was among the lightweights, he ran one of his best races in the $1\frac{1}{16}$ -mile John B. Campbell Memorial Handicap. Carrying 111 pounds and disregarded to the point of 132-1, he closed strongly to finish third, only three-quarters of a length behind Dedi-

cate (124) and Third Brother (111), which were a nose apart.

Unplaced in the Laurel Handicap on the dirt on April 27, *Akbar Khan (113) was a strong second, two lengths behind Aeschylus (114) in the $1\frac{1}{16}$ -mile mile Laurel Spring Handicap on the grass one week later. Lofty Peak (121) was third, followed by *Blue Choir (118), Lough Ree (113), Jabneh (123), and two others. On May 11 *Akbar Khan (113) scored his first stakes victory in the $1\frac{1}{8}$ -mile Dixie Handicap on the turf at Pimlico. He stayed close to the pace, took the lead inside the eighth-pole, and beat Jabneh (120) by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths. *Blue Choir (116), *St. Vincent (112), Maharajah (112), Lofty Peak (120), *Lagides (105), *Muguet II (109), Aeschylus (118), and Roman Battle (110) trailed.

*Akbar Khan was the lightweight with 112 pounds in the $1\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Mr. Fitz Handicap at Pimlico on May 17, but the concessions didn't help him much. Ricci Tavi (121), Gray Phantom



Jerry Frutkoff

*Akbar Khan won the $1\frac{1}{8}$ -mile Dixie Handicap at Pimlico May 11, beating Jabneh (8) by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths. *Blue Choir was another $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths back in third. *Akbar Khan set records in the Brandywine Turf and John R. Macomber Memorial Handicaps.

(118), and Go Lightly (114) ran in that order nearly all the way, and, although *Akbar Khan gained in the last furlong, the best he could do was fourth, about three lengths behind the winner. He returned to the grass for the 1 1/16-mile Brandywine Handicap at Delaware Park on May 30, and all of his nine remaining races were on the turf.

*Akbar Khan (117) stayed close to the pace in the Brandywine, took the lead at the eighth-pole, and drew out to beat Aeschylus (118) and Passyunk (109) by a length. Behind them were Jabneh (123), Rare Treat (114), Star Rover (117), Chevation (118), Lofty Peak (121), and *Rasper II (115). The time was 1:42 3/4, two seconds faster than the track record set by *Prince Morvi a year before.

For the John R. Macomber Memorial Handicap, 1 1/2 miles on June 17, *Akbar Khan was jumped to 120 pounds. He took the lead at the quarter-pole, and cantered to a nine-length victory over Maharajah (115), Spin (108), Roman Fan (110), Wise Margin (126), and Grand Canyon (114). His time of 2:30 3/4 was a second faster than the Suffolk Downs track record set by Maharajah in the 1955 Macomber.

The best of his remaining races was his third to *Tudor Era (113) and Jabneh (114) in the 1 1/8-mile Olympic Handicap, for which he carried 115 pounds and finished 4 1/2 lengths behind the winner.

*Akbar Khan was one of 20 yearlings sold by the late Aga Khan and Prince Aly Khan at the 1953 Saratoga sales, where he was taken by Mrs. Marion Eppley for \$26,000. The dam, *Hastra, had been sent to the U. S. the preceding year and sold at the Keeneland fall sales for \$30,000 to Joe W. Brown.

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Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	3	0	0	0	3	—
1955	3	13	5	2	5	1	\$ 16,400
1956	4	24	3	3	2	16	20,925
1957	5	19	6	2	3	8	85,467
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	59	14	7	10	28		\$122,792

ALARULLAH, b. c., 1955, *Nasrullah-Marguery, by *Sir Gallahad III. Belair Stud, breeder; Hasty House Farms (Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Reuben), owner; Harry Trotsek, trainer. —

The effort shown by Alarullah in his one winning race of 1957 promised better times ahead. He made easy game of a field of maidens at Hawthorne October 19, running 6 1/2 furlongs in 1:18 1/4. It was six lengths back to Set Sail, and Alarullah had won eased up.

The next start, his third and last of the year, was in the six-furlong Hawthorne Juvenile Stakes. He whipped off a quarter in :22 1/4 and a half in :45 1/4 before suddenly faltering to finish eighth, a bit over four lengths behind Terra Firma.

Alarullah is a brother to the 1956 Sorority Stakes winner Marullah and a half-brother to Whirling Fox and Isology. His dam, Marguery, is a sister to Gallant Fox, Fighting Fox, and Foxborough and a half-sister to Petee-Wrack. He won one of three races, earning \$2,325.

P. O'B.

ALHAMBRA, br. c., 1955, Olympia-Robins Charm, by Epithet. Fred W. Hooper, breeder and owner; C. R. Parke, trainer. 119

Fred W. Hooper, of Montgomery, Ala., and Coral Gables, Fla., in 1943 attended the first Keeneland summer sale of yearlings, along with former jockey Ivan H. Parke, who had agreed to train a stable of Thoroughbreds for him. They bought two colts and three fillies. The colts turned out well. For \$10,200 Hooper bought the Kentucky Derby winner Hoop, Jr., and for \$17,000 he got Alabama, which won the Ral Parr Stakes and placed in two other added-money races, earning \$28,055. The three fillies, which cost a total of \$12,200, created no immediate success stories. Collectively they won four races.

Most expensive of the fillies, at \$5,000, was Robins Charm, a half-sister to Al-sab. She won two of 13 starts in two

Alhambra won the Arlington Park Futurity by 4½ lengths, but the victory was given to Leather Button (light blinkers) because Alhambra's stablemate Olymar (far left) had fouled Sir Ruler (behind Leather Button).



Arlington Park

seasons and retired with earnings of \$3,775. Her first three foals, all by Hoop, Jr., were winners, including the useful Hoop Ring. She then was mated with Pry and *Quibu, stallions at Hooper's Alabama farm, before being transferred to Kentucky in the fall of 1953. In the spring of 1954 she dropped Alabama Charm, a *Quibu filly, and was bred to Olympia, best race horse Hooper had owned. The result of this mating was Alhambra, a strong, well proportioned colt, foaled April 29, 1955, at Joe E. Metz's Mare's Rest Farm, Lexington. The name came from Alhambra Circle, the street on which Hooper lives in Coral Gables.

C. R. (Chuck) Parke, one of the four brothers who had been well known as jockeys, had charge of Alhambra from the time he was 14 months old. Parke broke Hooper's yearlings in Alabama, and in 1957 he took over the racing stable when brother Ivan stepped aside. Chuck recalled that he thought Alhambra would be a good one as soon as yearling breaking began. "Right away last year I knew this Alhambra was something special," he said. "He did things to watches. I don't mean we work them real fast or push them hard, but everything he did he seemed to be within himself. Right from the start he was bright and light-footed. He acted as



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ALHAMBRA

ALHAMBRA, br. c., 1955	Olympia, b., 1946	°Heliopolis	Hyperion	{ Gainsborough Selene
			Drift	{ Swynford Santa Cruz
		Miss Dolphin	Stimulus	{ Ultimus Hurakan
			Tinamou	{ °Light Brigade Casuarina
	Robins Charm, b., 1942	Epithet	°Epinard	{ Badajoz Epine Blanche
			Fairy Wand	{ °Star Shoot Countess Wanda
		Winds Chant	Wildair	{ Broomstick Verdure
			Eulogy	{ Fair Play °St. Eudora

though he liked everything about racing."

On May 29 the Hooper 2-year-olds left their Alabama quarters for Arlington Park in Chicago. Parke wasted no time getting Alhambra into action. On June 18 the Olympia colt led all the way to win a five-furlong maiden race by four lengths in :59%.

Nine days later Alhambra appeared in the 5½-furlong Primer Stakes, and because of the ease of his first victory he was backed down to 9-10. Ridden by John Heckmann, Alhambra (119) led all the way, but in the last furlong he had all he could do to beat Leather Button (122) by a nose. Rellim S. W. (119) was third, two lengths back, followed by Litte Reaper (122), Lincoln Road (119), Carrie Louise (116), Nir Thru (119), Little Skip (119), Chief Apache (116), Sam's Shipahoy (119), and King Glade (119). On a fast track the time was 1:04%, 1½ second slower than Munchausen's track record, set nine days earlier.

The close call in the Primer caused the Arlington Park bettors to back off slightly, and the entry of Alhambra and Olymar was 13-10 for the 5½-furlong Hyde Park Stakes on July 8. Again ridden by Heckmann, Alhambra (122) led all the way, but Litte Reaper (122) reduced his margin from two lengths to a head in the last furlong. Leather Button (122), which had been second most of the way, finished third, another neck away. The others were Rellim S. W. (116), Olymar (116), Circle Out (116), Now Admiral (116), Fay's Ace (116), Peter K. (116), and Lincoln Road (116). The time was a second slower than the Primer.

Alhambra's next race was one of the most influential of the 1957 racing season. The influence was not because of the result—he beat the same 2-year-olds he already had beaten—but his disqualification in the rich Arlington Futurity led to the year's only major rule change.

As in the Hyde Park, Alhambra was coupled with Olymar in the Futurity.

Eddie Arcaro, imported from New York, had the mount on the Hooper star, and he hustled Alhambra to a one-length lead in the first quarter. Clicking off the first half in :44%, Alhambra had a four-length lead early in the stretch, and he cantered to the wire 4½ lengths in front of Leather Button. The time was a smashing 1:09% for the six furlongs.

After Alhambra had passed the sixteenth-pole, Olymar, then third, cut in front of Sir Ruler, forcing Willie Hartack to pull up his mount. Sir Ruler had no chance of catching the winner, but was moving strongly and might have been third. As it was, he finished fifth. Hartack's claim of foul against Olymar was sustained by the stewards. According to the rule on disqualifications in Illinois, and in almost every other state, the stewards also were required to disqualify Alhambra. The official order of finish became Leather Button, Rellim S. W., Sir Ruler, Alhambra, and Olymar. The switch cost Hooper \$97,575.

Since there was no doubt that Alhambra was the best horse in the race, a number of writers and others demanded a change in the "unfair" rule. Racing commissions responded to the pressure much more quickly than usual, and by year's end all the major racing areas had a disqualification rule which allowed the stewards to use their discretion in the disqualification of an entry. The change didn't help Alhambra, of course.

The six-furlong George Woolf Memorial Stakes at Washington Park on July 31 was next. With 122 pounds, Arcaro up, Alhambra stayed about four lengths behind Leather Button (122) for a half-mile, then rallied in the stretch to win going away by three lengths. Terra Firma (113) passed Leather Button in the last furlong to take second. Hooper and Parke had ordered Arcaro to bring the colt from behind, to determine how he would respond to early restraint.

Although the come-from-behind experiment worked well enough in the

George Woolf, it was abandoned for the Prairie State Stakes two weeks later. Arcaro sent Alhambra (122) to the front immediately, and kept him there throughout. He was a 1-10 favorite, but he didn't look that good in the last furlong, where he held off Terra Firma (113) just long enough to win by a nose. Music Man Fox (119), Set Sail (113), and Leather Button (122) were well beaten. The time for six furlongs was 1:10½, last quarter in 25 seconds.

The Prairie State was Alhambra's last important victory of 1957. In his remaining added-money tests he either faced better horses or was asked to run farther than he liked, or both. First defeat came in the six-furlong Washington Park Futurity on August 24, which drew the New York-raced Jewel's Reward and the California-raced Strong Ruler, in addition to the Chicago 2-year-olds. Alhambra (122) was third to Judge and Elegante for a half-mile, then responded smartly to Arcaro's urging at the top of the stretch. He moved to a one-length lead at the eighth-pole, but was outrun by Jewel's Reward (119), which won by 1½ lengths. Strong Ruler (116) was a half-length behind Alhambra at the finish, and was gaining. On a good track the time was 1:11½.

Alhambra still ranked among the country's two or three best 2-year-olds, and if he had retired at the end of August, he probably would have ranked closer to the top of the Experimental Free Handicap. But his campaign was continued for two more months, long enough to prove that he was unable to beat top-flight colts at more than six furlongs.

Shipped to Belmont Park, Alhambra made his first start in the East on September 20, at six furlongs on the Widener Course. He led all the way, and drew out in the last furlong to beat Crasher by 2½ lengths. Others in the race were °Grey Monarch, Fleet Nasrullah, Dark Tale, Deadeye Dick, and Persia.

On the strength of this victory, Alhambra was an even-money favorite for

the 6½-furlong Futurity on the Widener Course eight days later. Off in front, he led to the eighth-pole. There he was passed by Misty Flight, and a few strides later both were passed by Jester. Alhambra swerved repeatedly during the last furlong, and Arcaro had to push him hard to hold third place by a neck over Crasher. Jester won by a length, with Misty Flight 1¼ lengths in front of Alhambra.

Despite his weak finish in the Futurity, Alhambra started in the one-mile Champagne Stakes two weeks later. This time the players let him go off at 12-1, and their judgment proved sound. Ridden by George Taniguchi, Alhambra led for six furlongs before he collapsed. In the last quarter he went from first to sixth and was beaten about 10½ lengths by Jewel's Reward and Misty Flight. He ran the first six furlongs in 1:11½, the last quarter in approximately 28½ seconds.

Hooper and Parke decided the Garden State Stakes was not for them, and Alhambra was shipped to Lexington for the Breeders' Futurity on October 19. The Keeneland race was seven furlongs and 184 feet, but the opposition was as weak as could be found in a race worth almost \$65,000. Alhambra was 2-5 over Fulcrum. Can Trust, Nunya, Porter B., Rockmoore, and War Dan.

Rockmoore proved to be the villain of Alhambra's fourth Futurity defeat. He pushed the favorite a half-mile in 44 seconds. That was the end of Rockmoore, but Alhambra lasted only 1½ furlongs more. About five lengths on top turning for home, he yielded the lead to Fulcrum at the three-sixteenths pole and fell back steadily. At the finish he was fourth, about nine lengths behind Fulcrum. Can Trust and Nunya were second and third.

Doug Dodson, who rode Alhambra for the first time in the Keeneland race, said his mount "just died at the top of the stretch." Since one clocker reported that the early fractions were :21½, :44, and :56, there was a possibility that

Alhambra's failure to have anything left for the stretch was not altogether the fault of the horse.

Alhambra was shipped to the Alabama ranch to rest until 1958. The record: 11 starts, six wins, one second, one third, \$94,264 earned. D.M.B. III

AMORET, b. m., 1952, Bull Lea-Mar-Kell, by *Blenheim II. Calumet Farm (Mrs. Gene Markey), breeder and owner; H. A. Jones, trainer. ARH 1956. 112

Mark-Ye-Well's sister, Amoret, didn't show her best form until her 4-year-old campaign of 1956, and her best performances of 1957 came early in the year, when she won her only stakes, the Columbiana and Black Helen Handicaps. She won one other event after leaving Florida.

For the seven-furlong Columbiana Handicap, February 13 at Hialeah Park, Amoret was given 116 pounds, and she ran her characteristic come-from-behind race, closing sharply through the stretch to beat Queen Hopeful (119) by a neck. Pucker Up (119) was third, another four lengths back, and behind her were Beautillion (115), Jet Girl (106), Little Pache (112), Levee (122), and three others.

Two weeks later, on February 27, she met several of the same fillies and mares in the 1½-mile Black Helen, for which she was raised two pounds to 118. This time she ran closer to the pace, took the lead at the eighth-pole, and won by 1½ lengths from Jet Girl (103). Gay Life (110) was third, followed by Little Pache (112), Fleurlea (107), Queen Hopeful (120), and Fabrication (104). Amoret was the first filly or mare ever to win both the Columbiana and Black Helen.

*Estacion (109) beat Amoret (121) 1½ lengths in the 1½-mile Suwannee River Handicap, March 27 at Gulfstream Park, and this was the Calumet mare's last stakes placing. She continued to face the best of her division, however, but

she seemed to have lost the sharpness which marked the Florida campaign. Notwithstanding her loss of form, she still was among the top dozen of her age and sex up to 1½ miles. W. S.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	2	1	0	1	0	\$ 3,225
1955	3	11	3	2	1	5	12,245
1956	4	19	2	8	3	6	61,810
1957	5	18	3	4	2	9	61,665
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ANNIE-LU-SAN, ch. f., 1953, *Khaled-Wheel Home, by Questionnaire. J. D. Rogers, breeder; Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, owners; C. R. West, trainer. 105

Jack Rogers, a big, friendly man with an infectious grin, has two hobbies, his string of restaurants in Los Angeles and his string of race horses, which he has campaigned in California for about ten years. If Rogers had to make a choice between them, he'd more than likely name the horses.

Pride and joy of his stable in 1957 was a filly with the musical name of Annie-Lu-San. She stood about 15:2 and had powerful hind quarters, but a bad right knee forced her to be raced sparingly.

Unraced at two and lightly raced at three, Annie-Lu-San was still green when she began the 1957 campaign. She lost her first two races at Santa Anita Park, then won at 1¼ miles against moderate company.

Her best racing was at Hollywood Park, and her best race was in the 16th running of the Vanity Handicap, in which Miss Todd was a lukewarm favorite at 3.60-1. The only question seemed to be whether J. Rukin Jelks' wonderful sprinter would stay for nine furlongs. In the early stages of the race Miss Todd (115) had things her own way. Down the backstretch, she was a length on top, and on the turn she began edging away from her rivals, stretching her lead to two lengths at the quarter-pole.

By this time Annie-Lu-San (108) was running strongly. She passed Market

Basket and Beautillion, and took aim on Miss Todd. She caught the leader at the sixteenth-pole and drew out quickly to win by 2¼ lengths in 1:48%.

Annie-Lu-San started once more at Hollywood Park before her touchy knee forced her to the sidelines once again. She was blistered and turned out. In two seasons Annie-Lu-San won five of 18 starts, placed in four races, and earned \$37,585. R. H.

ARGENT, dk. b. c., 1953, by **Better Self-Fiery Cross**, by **Flares**. F. R. Conklin, breeder; Ben R. Steen, owner; J. C. Bentley, trainer. —

The Canadian Argent made two invasions of the U. S., and in the first of these he won the 1½-mile Stymie Handicap. In the second he got little more than a pleasant trip and some exercise.

A stakes winner in his home dominion, Argent was given 117 pounds for the Stymie, an assignment second by the scale only to the 3-year-old Harmonizing's 113. Argent was under snug restraint during the first half-mile, went to the lead at the half-mile-pole and won by 4½ lengths over Harmonizing. The Stymie was restricted to non-winners of a race of \$15,000 in 1956-57, and Harmonizing was the best of the beaten field. The time was 2:30%.

Argent (118) was unplaced in the 1¼-mile Merchants' and Citizens' Handicap at Saratoga on August 30, but he gave a good account of himself, forcing the pace for more than 1½ miles before giving ground to Admiral Vee (119), Harmonizing (110), and Promethean (104).

He was a versatile performer, earlier in the year having used an 11-pound advantage to beat Canadian Champ a nose in the 6½-furlong Ultimus Handicap at Woodbine.

Argent in 1957 won two of 12 races and earned \$27,150, bringing his three-season earnings to \$55,825. P. O'B.

ARMORIAL, b. f., 1955, **Battlefield-Tellaris**, by **Pharis**. **Erdenheim Farms Co.** (George D. Widener), breeder; George D. Widener, owner, W. F. Mulholland, trainer. 112

It was not until her eighth and last start of the year that Armorial failed to win a portion of the purse for George D. Widener, chairman of The Jockey Club. Since she had competed well against the best of her age and sex, she merited a good ranking among the 2-year-old fillies of 1957.

Fourth foal of the unraced *Tellaris, it took Armorial six starts to become her dam's fourth winner. While still a maiden Armorial showed to excellent advantage in finishing second to Sequoia at level weights in the Spinaway Stakes. She again was second to Sequoia in an allowance race, and came within a head of Idun while in receipt of five pounds. She was favored over Idun, and but for a slow start might have paid off.

Meeting Idun again in the Matron Stakes at Belmont Park, Armorial was third to her and Poly Hi. Starting last because of a bumping coming out of the gate, Armorial got to within a half-length of the leader, then dropped five lengths behind.

Armorial won her next start, going six furlongs on a wet track in 1:12%. In her last start, the 1¼-mile Gardenia Stakes, she again broke slowly. Once well behind in a field of 15, she had little chance.

A half-sister to the stakes winner Tellarian, Armorial won one race in eight starts, was three times second, two times third, and earned \$17,195. P. O'B.

ASSEMBLYMAN, b. c., 1954, **Menow-Libba**, by **Sir Damion**. Mrs. Anderson Fowler, breeder; Glenelg Stable (Mrs. Anderson Fowler), owner; J. P. Smith, trainer. 116

A horse which can be in the money in three of every four starts is the meat

and potatoes of any stable. Assemblyman was a horse of this sort during his 1957 campaign, which started in March and carried through the remainder of the year. Beginning inauspiciously in Florida, the son of Menow won his first start in New York, on April 13, then continued to earn a share of the purse in his next eight starts.

It was in this skein that he won the mile-and-70-yard Independence Day Handicap, at Narragansett on July 4. Assemblyman (112) led all the way (as a 2-year-old he had been reserved off the pace with poor results) to defeat Big Paddy (119) and Inswept (122) in the excellent time of 1:41%. He raced mainly in stakes company after that. Assigned 118 pounds for Monmouth's Lamplighter Handicap, he finished fourth behind Pro-Brandy (116) in his next effort.

Assemblyman was second in three stakes in the fall. In the 1½-mile Lawrence Realization he carried 117 pounds and led all but the last few yards before giving way to Promised Land (114). He conceded two pounds to Manteau in the 1½-mile Yankee Handicap at Suffolk Downs and lost to the Citation colt by a head. In the 1¼-mile Knickerbocker Handicap he again gave Promised Land three pounds, and this time he lost by 1¼ lengths on a sloppy track.

Carrying 116 pounds, Assemblyman ended his season with a victory in the 1½-mile Sophomore Special at Narragansett, leading all the way and beating Ambehaving (110) by a length.

Assemblyman was bred by Mrs. Anderson Fowler, who bought the dam, Libba, at Keeneland in November, 1953, for \$30,000. Libba, winner of the 1952

Hurricane Handicap, was one of 34 mares in foal sold by Hal Price Headley, whose excellent mare Alcibiades appeared twice in Assemblyman's pedigree, as dam of Menow and granddam of Libba. Assemblyman in 1956 won one of nine races and earned \$4,060. In 1957 he won five of 20 races, placed in 12 others, and earned \$83,739.

P. O'B.

BANDIT, b. c., 1954, Fair Trial—*Careless Nora, by Panorama. Claiborne Farm (A. B. Hancock Jr.), breeder and owner; Moody Jolley, trainer. —

In May, 1953, A. B. Hancock Jr. bought privately in England the mare *Careless Nora, then in foal to Fair Trial. *Careless Nora had won the Princess Mary Nursery Handicap and two other races at two, receiving 122 pounds in the Free Handicap. At three she was the best sprinter of her sex in England, winning the Queen Elizabeth (132 pounds), Arlington Sprint, Eager, and Nunthorpe Stakes. Her only defeat was in the King's Stand Stakes.

Brought to the U.S. in the fall of 1953, *Careless Nora dropped Bandit at Hancock's Claiborne Farm, Paris, Ky., on February 3, 1954. The colt won two of three starts at two, then bucked his shins. He later developed bursitis in a shoulder, and had to be fired for a splint.

Bandit finally returned to the races on April 13, 1957, facing five older horses in the six-furlong Phoenix Handicap at Keeneland. Carrying 112 pounds, top weight by the scale, he led all the way to beat Sea O Erin (119) by three-quarters of a length, with Bernburgoo (115), Star Rover (122), Tommy's Jet (114), and Ambiorun (116) trailing. His time was 1:09¾, two-fifths of a second slower than the track record.

Bursitis began to bother Bandit again, and he was unplaced in the Ben Ali Handicap at Keeneland and the Delaware Valley Stakes at Garden State Park, his only other races. In July it was an-

	*Pharamond II	{ Phalaris
Menow, b., 1935	{ Alcibiades	{ Selene
		{ Supremus
ASSEMBLYMAN, b. c, 1954		{ *Regal Roman
	{ Sir Damion	{ *Sir Gallahad III
Libba, b., 1948	{ Salamina	{ Ommiad
		{ Man o' War
		{ Alcibiades

nounced that he would enter the stud in 1958 at Carter Thornton's Threave Main Stud, Paris, Ky. D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	3	2	0	1	0	\$ 4,670
1957	3	3	1	0	0	2	7,712
		6	3	0	1	2	\$12,382

BARBIZON, dk. b. c., 1954, Polynesian—Good Blood, by Bull Lea. Calumet Farm (Mrs. Gene Markey), breeder and owner; H. A. Jones, trainer. ARH 1956. 110

Winners of the Garden State Stakes have had their troubles as 3-year-olds. *Turn-to bowed a tendon; Summer Tan hurt an ankle; Prince John broke a pedal bone; and Barbizon had a rather severe case of strangles. The ailment left a permanent impairment of racing ability.

Barbizon made his first start of 1957 on March 5, when he finished third to Jet Colonel and Encore in a six-furlong race at Gulfstream Park. Eight days later he was a nose behind Jet Colonel in the 6½-furlong Hutcheson Stakes. The time was 1:16, a fifth of a second slower than the track record, and it was Barbizon's last good stakes race.

He went unplaced in the Fountain of Youth, Kent, Leonard Richards, Warren Wright Memorial, and Arlington Classic Stakes. His best race in allowance company was at Garden State Park on October 12, when he beat Flight History, Polly's Jet, and four others at six furlongs. In no event, however, did he recapture his form of October, 1956.

Late in the year Calumet Farm sold Barbizon to a syndicate of breeders headed by Warner L. Jones Jr. The syndicate planned to retire him to stud at Jones' Hermitage Farm, near Louisville.

D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	6	5	1	0	0	\$182,985
1957	3	13	2	3	2	6	15,975
		19	7	4	2	6	\$198,960

BARDSTOWN, dk. b. g., 1952, *Alibhai—Twilight Tear, by Bull Lea. Calumet Farm (Mrs. Gene Markey), breeder and owner; H. A. Jones, trainer. ARH 1956. 130

In the early months of 1957 Bardstown became the beneficiary of a tradition established for the benefit of Swaps and Nashua in 1956: as the best handicap horse in the country, he was considered too good to carry more than 130 pounds in a race. The handicappers were spared embarrassment when he limped out of the picture in June, but they might have had a rough time of it if he had remained sound. In 1956 Bobby Brocato was the only horse to carry more than 130 pounds in competition (excluding the Fall Highweight Handicap), and in 1957 the only runners to go past this strange line of taboo were Swoon's Son, the sprinter Decathlon, and the 3-year-old Bold Ruler. These were horses good enough to win with more than 130 pounds, and it was not considered impolite to ask them to prove it.

As was related in *American Race Horses*, 1956, Bardstown was the third stakes winner and the second top-flight runner produced by the great race mare Twilight Tear before her death in 1954 at the age of 13. The third of Twilight Tear's foals was the *Blenheim II filly A Gleam (*American Race Horses*, 1952), the last of the mare's offspring which was genuinely sound for racing. Bardstown, her fifth foal, survived a series of troubles beginning with soft ankles and culminating in a "knocked-down" right hip. He got to the races for the first time when he was a 4-year-old, and by the end of the 1956 season he was ranked third among horses of his age, with only Swaps and Nashua above him.

Bardstown, after going unplaced in the Atlantic City Handicap in August, had won his last four races of the 1956 season, ending on a high note by conceding weight to the formidable Summer Tan and defeating him by a neck in the mile-and-a-quarter Trenton Handicap on

In his first appearance of the 1957 season Bardstown easily defeated Gray Phantom, Sunningdale, and others in the Tropical Park Handicap.

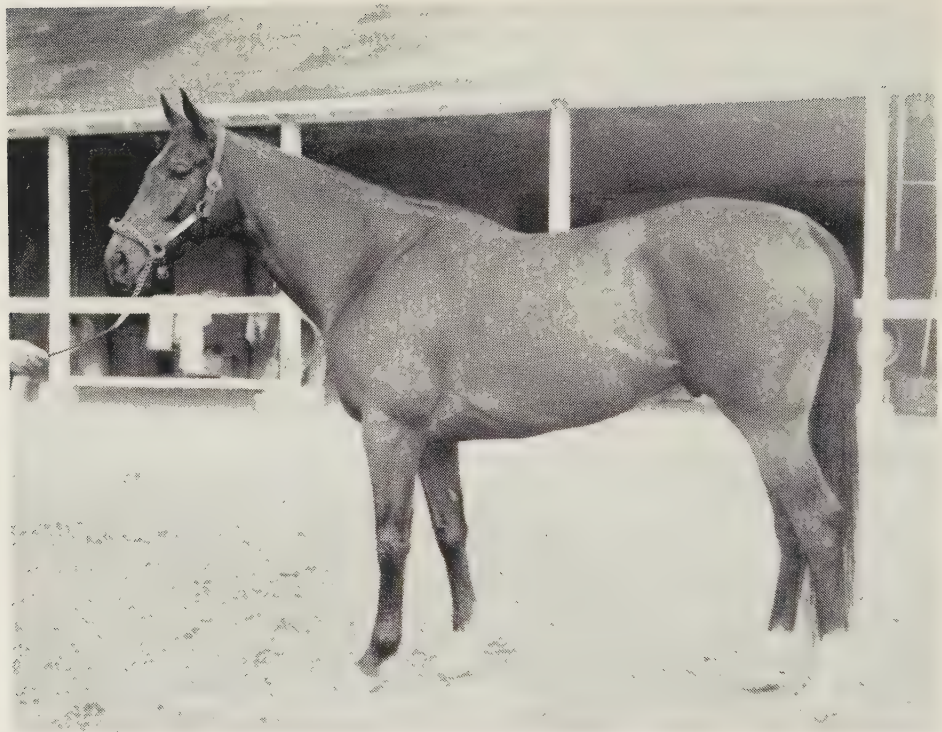


Leo Frutkoff

a muddy track at Garden State Park. The Trenton was run on November 24. Trainer "Jimmy" Jones allowed the gelding only a brief respite from full-scale training routine, and had him at the top of his form for the campaign in Florida. Bardstown was to run only six times in 1957, always in added-money races, always under top weight, and always with Willie Hartack in the saddle. Hartack, who was to win a record number of stakes races in 1957, had few mounts on which he had less work to do.

Bardstown (128) made his first start of the year in the 1½-mile Tropical Park

Handicap, \$50,000 added, on January 16, last day of the meeting at Tropical Park. He went to the post at odds of 11 to 10 despite the fact that he had the outside post position in a field of 16 runners. Second choice was Wheatley Stable's Gray Phantom (118), which in his last previous race had scored an easy victory in the Robert E. Lee Handicap, missing the 1¼-mile track record by a fifth of a second. Bardstown was restrained just behind the pace of Flight History (114) and Sea O Erin (115) until they were in the backstretch, then moved up to run alongside Flight History



J. C. Meadors

BARDSTOWN

BARDSTOWN, dk. b. g., 1952	°Alibhai, ch., 1938	{	Hyperion	{	Gainsborough	{	Bayardo		
					Selene		{ °Rosedrop		
		{	Teresina	{	Tracery	{	Chaucer		
					Blue Tit		{ °Rock Sand		
	Twilight Tear, b., 1941	{	Bull Lea	{	°Bull Dog	{	°Topiary		
					Rose Leaves		{ Wildfowler		
		{	Lady Lark	{	Blue Larkspur	{	Petit Bleu		
					{		Ladana	{	°Teddy
					{			{	Ballot
									{ °Colonial
					{			{	Black Servant
	{ Blossom Time								
{		{	Lucullite						
			{ Adana						

until Hartack allowed him to take the lead on the turn. He won by a length and a quarter from Gray Phantom, which had a similar margin over °Sunningdale (110). Switch On (122) was fourth. The Tropical Park track had been fast all through the meeting, and Bardstown set a new record of 1:48½ for the race, missing the track record by three-fifths of a second.

Hialeah Park's McLennan Handicap of February 9, like the Tropical Handicap, was at a distance of 1½ miles and had \$50,000 added, but it drew only a fourth as many starters. Bardstown (128) was 9 to 10, Summer Tan (124) was 95 to 100, and the only other runners were Switch On (119) and Mr. First (102, carried 105). Mr. First dropped back soon after the start, but the other three were lapped most of the time until they reached the top of the stretch, where they still were heads apart. Hartack used his whip briefly, but it did no equalizing. Summer Tan strode away to an impressive three-length victory. Switch On was a slightly greater distance behind Bardstown in third place, and Mr. First was last. The time was 1:48½ on a track fast enough for Iron Liege to set a new 1¼-mile record, but the early pace had been deliberately slow.

Two weeks later the McLennan field came together again in the \$100,000-added Widener, at 1¼ miles, along with one other starter, Rockcastle (110), which finished a distant last. This time Summer Tan, whose 124 pounds included a three-pound penalty, was odds-on and Bardstown (126) was 17 to 10. In the McLennan, Summer Tan had started from the inside post position, and Dave Erb had let him run just fast enough to make sure that he kept to himself what Erb considered the best part of the track, several feet out from the rail. Hartack, perhaps attempting to forestall a repetition of this strategy in the Widener, sent Bardstown to the lead at once, steering him on a sharp angle

toward the rail, and let him go at a much faster pace, though the distance was longer and the track had been called slow in the earlier races on the program.

Summer Tan made his challenge along the inside and got within a length of the leader when they were about half-way around the last turn. Then he gave way, and for the rest of it there was no race. Bardstown won by 4½ lengths, and in the last furlong Summer Tan dropped back to fourth place, behind Mr. First (105) and Switch On (116). The winner, which had done the first six furlongs in 1:11, took 52 seconds to get the last half-mile. The final time of 2:03 compared favorably with Nashua's 2:02 on a fast track in the 1956 running, but the result gave no dependable comparison between Bardstown and Summer Tan. No excuses were made at the time for the big son of °Heliopolis except that he was trying to lug in, but his sudden capitulation was wholly uncharacteristic, and it was, in fact, his last race, though Sherrill Ward attempted training him for several months thereafter.

With Summer Tan out of the way, Bardstown had no further competition from horses of similar class. His weight was anchored at 130 pounds by solicitous racing secretaries, and there it remained for his last three races of the year, in only one of which were the handicapping and the competition enough to raise his odds above 1 to 5.

The entry of Bardstown and Fabius (126) was 15 cents to the dollar in the nine-furlong Appleton Handicap at Gulfstream Park March 16. There were only three other runners, after the late scratch of Hasty House Farm's entry of Platan and Sea O Erin, and Hartack treated the others as if they were pace-makers in a workout—as indeed they were, since the \$100,000-added Gulfstream Park Handicap was coming up a week later.

Nance's Lad, whose 119-pound assignment was based on form he no longer had, was allowed to make the early

Because of the 130-pound ceiling, the Gulfstream Park Handicap was virtually a gift to Bardstown. He was under restraint beating Fabius and Needles.



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pace, and he did the first half-mile in :46%, then went from first to last. Har tack kept Bardstown under wraps all the way, permitted him to take the lead in the upper stretch. He won by a length and a half from First Served (114), with Piecesofeight (110) third, Fabius fourth. The time was 1:49%.

When the same Calumet Farm entry came out for the 1¼-mile Gulfstream Park Handicap on March 23, this time with Fabius carrying 123 pounds, the odds against them were a liberal 3 to 5 by reason of the presence of Florida's favorite son in the field. The 126 pounds on Needles was less an appraisal of his current form than a memorial to his classic achievements in the first half of 1956.

Piecesofeight (108) led the way for almost a mile, with Eddie Arcaro and

Fabius prompting him to use up his speed and to cease and desist, which he did, after having brought Fabius the first mile in 1:35%. In the meantime Needles had come out of last place, and at the quarter-pole, though only Platan (113) was behind him, he was within three lengths of Fabius. If he had been the horse he was in the spring and early summer of 1956, the Citation colt would have been easy prey for him. But Bardstown went to the front in the upper stretch and won by half a length from his stablemate, with Needles another length back, third. The others, in order, were Platan, *North Cone (110), Call Me Lucky (111), and Piecesofeight.

Bardstown had been allowed to stride out for only a furlong or so and was under a stout hold all through the last furlong, but he finished the mile and a

quarter in 2:00%, three-fifths of a second slower than Coaltown's track record established in the 1949 renewal of the Gulfstream Park Handicap. Except for Coaltown's 1:59%, it was the fastest running of the race, which was established in 1946 but was not promoted to its \$100,000-added status until 1956.

Jimmy Jones gave Bardstown a rest and returned him to competition in the 1½-mile Camden Handicap at Garden State Park on June 1. Driven hard, the gelding was head-and-head with Third Brother (118) at the quarter-pole, but Hartack's whip brought no response as Third Brother went away to win by four lengths. Ricci Tavi (118) was third, two lengths behind the favorite, and the only other runners were Mr. First (107, carried 108) and Cedrus (114).

In Florida, Bardstown had been at the top of his form, and except for Summer Tan, which disappeared after the Widener, there was not an older horse in the country capable of warming him up at even weights—or in a handicap, for that matter, since Bardstown made all his 1957 starts in the 130-pound zone of handicapping. The Garden State race gave warning that he had aggravated an old source of trouble. His ankles were blistered and he got a long rest, but early in 1958 he was still too unsound for hard training.

J. A. E.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	0	0	0	0	0	-----
1955	3	0	0	0	0	0	-----
1956	4	13	9	1	1	2	\$173,050
1957	5	6	4	2	0	0	235,035
		19	13	3	1	2	\$408,085

BATTLE DANCE, b. g., 1952, Bolero-War Ribbon, by Bimelech. Crown Crest Farm (Mr. and Mrs. Howard Reinman), breeder; Jennilinda Stable (John Frankie and Elias Solomon), owner; J. H. Boyce, trainer. 110

Battle Dance was sold to T. I. Harkins' Taylorcrest Stable for \$19,000

at the 1953 Keeneland summer sales. He won two races at two and the Los Feliz Stakes in his first start at three. On June 27, 1956, at Hollywood Park he was taken from a claiming race for \$17,500 by the Jennilinda Stable of John Frankie and Elias Solomon, both of Seattle. In the last six months of 1956 he won the Golden Gate Handicap, was second in the Longacres Mile, Seattle, Veterans' Day and Anita King Handicaps, third in the San Francisco Mile, and Mapes Hotel of Reno Handicaps.

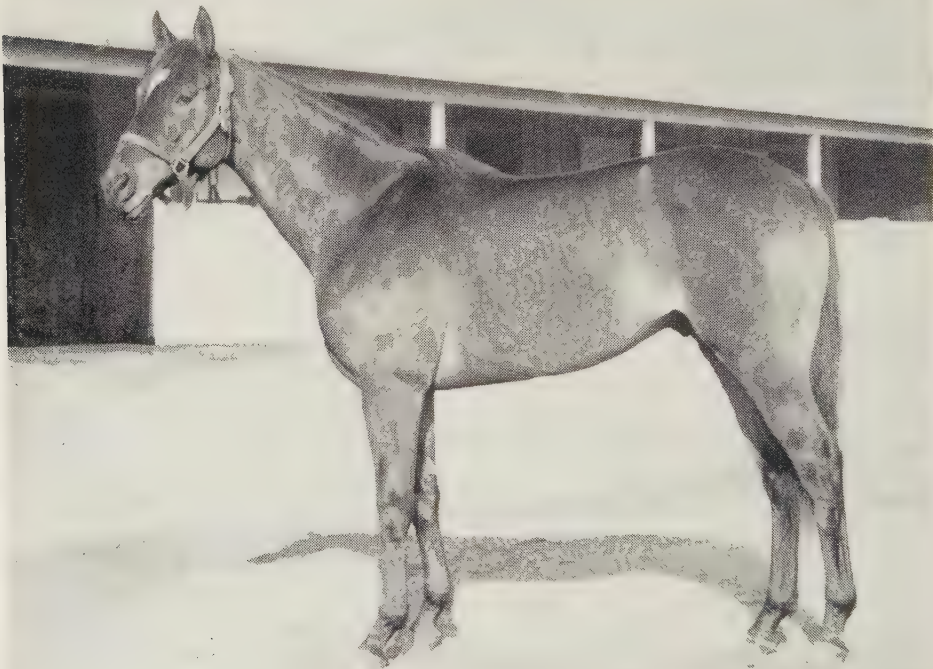
He opened his 1957 season auspiciously, winning the 1½-mile San Pasqual Handicap on January 5. Under 110 pounds, he took the lead at the start and responded to hard urging in the stretch to beat Honeys Alibi (120) by a neck. Porterhouse (126) was third. The time on a good track was 1:42%.

With 118 pounds, Battle Dance was third to Count Chic (116) and Fleet Charge (110) in the Bay Meadows Handicap. In the 1½-mile Art Sparks Handicap, March 16 at Bay Meadows, he carried 117 pounds, took command from Hula Boola (107) after three furlongs, and had a four-length lead at the eighth-pole. Count Chic (120) cut the margin to a half-length at the wire. Blue Volt (113) was third in the field of ten. Time on a muddy track was 1:44%.

Battle Dance was unplaced to *Hollandes II, which gave him five pounds, in the 1½-mile Robert O'Brien Memorial Handicap, and he was third in each of his next three races. Under 119 pounds, he was beaten 3½ lengths by *Windsor Serial in the six-furlong Alameda County Handicap; Infantry (112) and Eddie Schmidt (114) finished a head apart and two lengths in front of Battle Dance (117) in the 1½-mile Children's Hospital Handicap; and Old Blarney (107) and the 4-year-old filly Shes Quick (111) beat Battle Dance (126) by a sum of 2½ lengths in the 5½-furlong Bremerton Handicap.

Given a three-month rest, he came back in the Peninsula Handicap at

Battle Dance was among the more consistent handicap horses on the West Coast in 1957, winning five stakes and placing in five others.



Allen F. Brewer Jr.

Tanforan on September 14. With 118 pounds up, he ran close to the pace and on the outside, took the lead near the stretch turn, and held on under pressure to beat Captain Bam (113) by three-quarters of a length, with Head Man (113) third. Time for the six furlongs was 1:10%.

For the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Tanforan Handicap on October 26, Battle Dance was assigned top weight of 122 pounds. He ran close to the lead, took charge at the top of the stretch, and won by a head in 1:43%. Tavana (106) was second, Lover Boy (117) third.

Battle Dance, again with top weight (125), caught the pace-making North End (112) at the top of the stretch in the San Francisco Handicap November 9 and won by 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths, running the mile over a fast track in 1:35%. Hi Pardner (111) was third.

In his last 1957 start, Battle Dance (118) was unplaced to Nashville (119) in the six-furlong Palos Verdes Handicap.
G. E. W.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	10	2	1	3	4	\$ 12,525
1955	3	10	1	2	1	6	14,725
1956	4	22	2	7	6	7	42,300
1957	5	15	6	1	5	3	82,145
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BAYOU, ch. f., 1954, Hill Prince-Bour-tai, by Stimulus. Claiborne Farm, breeder and owner; Moody Jolley, trainer. 117

The science of race horse breeding is studied under the main headings of sire lines, broodmare sires, families, nicks, abracadabra, and assorted intuitions.

These various chapters are about equal in their lack of importance, and to protect the experts from becoming too scientific the Government has had the forethought to penalize the ones who lose more than \$50,000 a year for five years in succession. The chapter on families continues, nevertheless, to hold a strong fascination for the student of, and investor in, the Thoroughbred race horse.

Among the strongest contributors to the hypothesis that the family is greater than the individual was the family which produced Bayou, whose ranking as best of the 3-year-old fillies of 1957 went virtually unquestioned. This matriarchal group, sometimes identified in the older catalogues as the Maid of Masham family, has been crawling with good horses for generations.

Bayou herself was full sister to the top-flight Levee (ARH, 1956) and half-sister to the stakes-winning fillies Banta and Delta (ARH, 1954). The granddam,

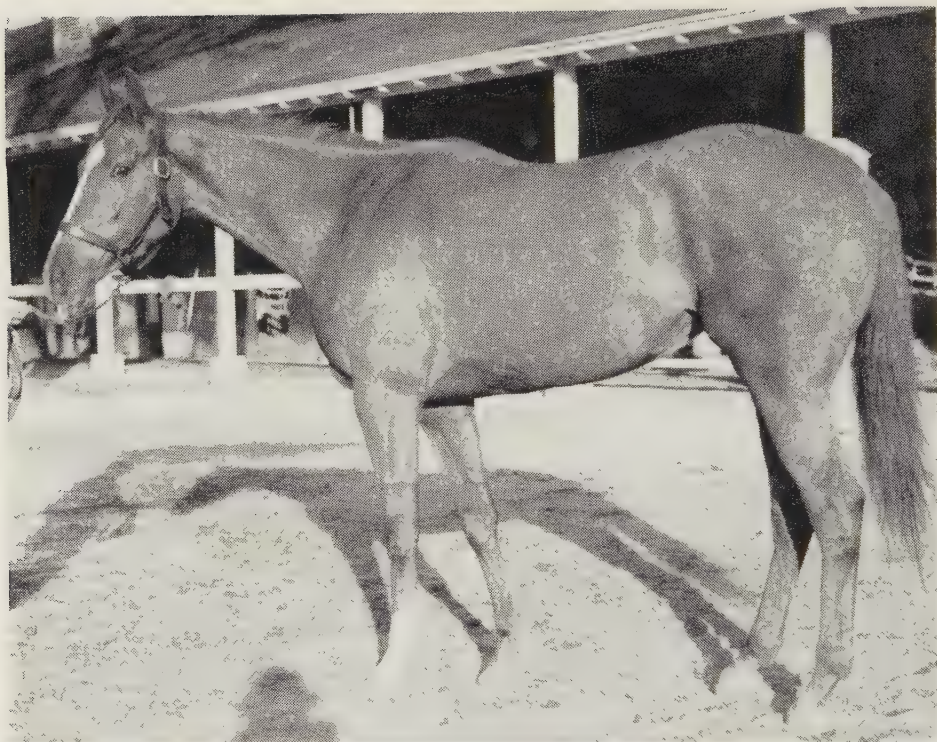
Escutcheon, winner of the 1930 Alabama Stakes, was dam of the top-class fillies Mars Shield and Strange Device. The third dam, *Affection, produced Flat Iron, Sanford, the Test Stakes winner Emotion (dam of the Futurity winner High Strung), and the outstanding producers Heloise and Hug Again. The fourth dam, *One I Love, was one of the best 2-year-old fillies of the 1890's, ancestress of numerous good runners and half-sister to *Thankful Blossom, from whose branch of the family are derived Bull Lea, Nellie Morse, Nellie Flag, Mar-Kell, Mark-Ye-Well. And so on and so on *ad gloriam* and almost *ad infinitum*.

The continuing strength of a family usually depends, in the main, upon a few mares in each generation whose genetic merit has been foreshadowed by their good performance on the race track. But many environmental effects, as well as the thousand dice of heredity, tend to obscure the picture. *Affection, one of the key mares in this succession,



Bert and Richard Morgan

In her last victory of the year Bayou moved out of her age division and defeated older mares in the Maskette Handicap on a sloppy track. Rare Treat (inside) was second, Pink Velvet third.



J. C. Meadors

BAYOU

BAYOU, ch. f., 1954	Hill Prince, b., 1947	°Princequillo	Prince Rose	{ Rose Prince Indolence
			°Cosquilla	{ Papyrus Quick Thought
	Hildene		Bubbling Over	{ °North Star III Beaming Beauty
			Fancy Racket	{ °Wrack Ultimate Fancy
	Stimulus		Ultimus	{ Commando Running Stream
			Hurakan	{ Uncle The Hoyden
	Escutcheon		°Sir Gallahad III	{ °Teddy Plucky Liege
			°Affection	{ °Isidor °One I Love
	Bourtai, b., 1942			

raced only twice. Another, Rose Leaves, dam of Bull Lea and other good ones, did all her racing in one month, earning nothing. From such examples come the arguments supporting the family as superior to the individual. From mares like *One I Love, Emotion, Nellie Morse, Nellie Flag, Mar-Kell, and Escutcheon, and from the forgotten failures of most of their sisters and cousins, comes the ammunition for counter-argument. And from the argument itself proceed some of the many-sided enticements of Thoroughbred racing and breeding.

Bourtai, dam of this succession of high-class daughters, was bred by Marshall Field in 1942 and sold at Keeneland the following year in the Fasig-Tipton Company's yearling sales, transplanted from Saratoga to Keeneland because of wartime difficulties in transportation. She was sold, at \$5,500, to Charles Slade, agent for Sylvester W. Labrot Jr. Under the Labrot colors she raced one season, as a 2-year-old in 1944.

If she had followed in the pattern of her dam or of her daughters, she probably would have gained more distinction later, but Bourtai left the track in the midst of that blackout-by-request which caused a hiatus in the racing of 1945. In any case, she won twice in 12 starts, raced well against good company, though she was unplaced in the two stakes races she essayed, and earned \$3,850. On the basis of earnings, which have been shown to have a high predictive value, she was in the top 7 or 8 per cent of the females of her generation. But, whatever the estimate of her worth as a broodmare, and whether it was based on performance or family, Bourtai exceeded all reasonable expectation.

Persistent illness made it impossible for Sylvester Labrot to enjoy the fruits of the small stud he had assembled, and in the course of dispersing his stock in the summer of 1951 he sold Bourtai and eight other mares to A. B. Hancock

Jr., of Claiborne Farm, Paris, Ky. Thus the *Nasrullah foal she was carrying at the time of the sale came to be recorded as bred by Claiborne Farm. Delta was a yearling when "Bull" Hancock set aside the policy, established by his grandfather in 1886 and maintained for 67 years, of selling the yearling crop by auction. So it was that Delta became the first Claiborne-bred stakes winner since Whirlabout to carry the Claiborne colors, and so it turned out that Delta and her two half-sisters by Hill Prince by the end of 1957 had earned a larger sum than the Hancocks had received for any crop of yearlings they had ever sold—and for many years the senior Arthur Boyd Hancock was the largest breeder for the market.

Levee was foaled at Claiborne on April 1, 1953, and her full sister Bayou was foaled there on April 1, 1954. Levee was traded to Mrs. Vernon G. Cardy in the summer of 1955, before her extreme class had become apparent to the public. Bayou remained in the Claiborne Farm racing stable trained by Moody Jolley. Like Delta, she was intended as a recruit for the broodmare band which the younger Hancock had brought to an all-time peak.

As a 2-year-old in 1956 Bayou was one of the best morning glories in the land. She had no hesitancy in revealing her class to her trainer and exercise boy and the small group of clockers in the stands, but she was frightened and nervous in the presence of the big crowds which came too close and made too much noise in the afternoons. She began racing at Keeneland in April, and it was November 6 before she won over a field of maidens at Churchill Downs. But she took down a minor portion of the purse on nine other occasions, and the accumulation of second, third, and fourth money accounted for about 70 per cent of the \$6,080 earned in her first season of racing.

Gradually, through repeated exposure to the routine, Bayou became less fearful

of the ordeal of paddock and parade, and by the time of the Keeneland meeting in October the trainer concluded that she had settled down enough to make a good showing in the Alcibiades Stakes, the only added-money race in which she started in 1956. But the big open paddock at Keeneland, with nothing between the horses and the people, appeared to upset her once more. At any rate, she showed only a brief flurry of speed before dropping back to finish fifth in the field of six. A little later, thanks, perhaps, to the walled-in protection of the paddock at Churchill Downs, she won for the first time.

Beginning her 3-year-old campaign at Tropical Park in January, Bayou resumed her routine of accepting a minor share of the purse. In competition with good-class fillies, she was fourth, second, and third in six-furlong races. Her last start of the Florida season was at Hialeah Park on February 12, going 1½ miles against six other fillies. This time she was odds-on. Steve Brooks had her going fastest in the stretch, but she finished second, lacking a length of overtaking the longshot Too Too Fussy.

At the Keeneland meeting in April Bayou ran twice. Going against colts at seven furlongs, she put in a good first quarter, then dropped back to finish fourth, about seven lengths behind the winner, Manteau. Six days later, on the 25th, she turned in the first race of the kind she had been promising. With W. Hartack doing the persuading, she went to the front in the upper stretch and won by seven lengths from the even-money favorite Ezgo, her time of 1:09½ missing the six-furlong track record by three-fifths of a second. This was the first in a succession of four victories.

At Jamaica on May 24, with Robert Ussery in the saddle, Bayou came through on the rail to take an easy decision over the favored Capelet at 1¼ miles, with Willamette third, Marullah, Magic Forest, and two others in the beaten field. At Belmont Park on

June 3, again with Ussery up, she got her first major triumph in the one-mile Acorn Stakes, making her run on the outside as they neared the stretch and going away to a margin of three lengths at the finish. Teleran bested Here and There by a neck for second, and Magic Forest was fourth in the field of 17 fillies. The Black Eyed Susan Stakes winner Pillow Talk had run the first half-mile in 45 seconds. Bayou, proceeding at a less suicidal pace, did the mile in 1:37, fastest time for an Acorn Stakes winner since Kiss Me Kate in 1951.

Pillow Talk reserved her strength somewhat more effectively in the nine-furlong Oaks at Delaware Park on June 15, but Bayou, with Hartack in the saddle, held close to the pace of Hal Price Headley's filly, caught her in the upper stretch and won by three-quarters of a length. The Alquest filly Marbella, which received six pounds from the first two and finished third, had raced with a claiming price of \$6,500 in April. She made a strong stretch run, but pulled up lame, as did Lori-El, which beat only one of the nine runners.

Returned to Belmont Park for the Coaching Club American Oaks of June 22, Bayou, with Eddie Arcaro up, went to the post at odds of 65 to 100 for the 1½-mile classic. She finished second, beaten three-quarters of a length by the outsider Willamette, which had elected this propitious day for the best race of her career. Pillow Talk was in front until near the stretch. Willamette took over when the leader weakened. Bayou, after a miserably slow beginning, moved up gradually in the last five furlongs, headed Willamette inside the eighth-pole, then weakened. Woodlawn, third, was about 5½ lengths back. The others were Here and There, Pillow Talk, Jolie Deja, Magic Forest, Gold Finery, Neshanic, and Jota Jota, which went lame after contesting the lead with Pillow Talk for nearly a mile.

Bayou's race in the Oaks was subject

to different interpretations. As judged by the timer, it was one of her best. Willamette's 2:16% was the same as Levee's in 1956, and only Next Move had won the classic in faster time at the 1%-mile distance. Moreover, Bayou had a possible excuse: she had appeared to lose momentum at the point where Arcaro took the risk of letting her cross a soft spot near the rail.

On the other hand, her performance in the Oaks may have been the beginning of a decline in form. The Delaware Oaks of the previous week had been run on an oppressively hot day, and it had taken Bayou an exceptionally long time to cool out after the race. Despite her strong constitution, she must have felt the effects of that effort for several days, at least.

The trainer took the brighter view and pointed for the rich Delaware Handicap of June 29. Bayou, under 111 pounds, was the only 3-year-old in the field, and her odds of 10.20 to 1 were indicative of the superiority of the older fillies. She was among the leaders until the decisive final furlongs, then dropped back to finish 14th in the field of 19.

This was the beginning of an eclipse which was to last through July and August. Bayou was unplaced to Romanita in the 1%-mile Monmouth Oaks, to Miss Blue Jay in the seven-furlong Test Stakes at Saratoga, and to Here and There in the 1%-mile Alabama Stakes. But during the eclipse there appeared no new star of first magnitude, and when Bayou returned from Saratoga to Belmont Park she was ready to reclaim her honors.

The doubtful ranking of the 3-year-old fillies at this stage was reflected by the weights carried in the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Gazelle Handicap, run September 11. The prophetically named Outer Space had the highest impost, 123 pounds, and was part of an entry which was favorite at 2 to 1. Romanita had 121 pounds, Bayou 120, Market Basket 120, Snow White 119, Evening Time 118, Pink

Velvet 116, Willamette 115. Bayou, even with Arcaro up, was nearly 7 to 1. She was forced back in the early wrestling for position, was kept under restraint to the three-eighths-pole, took the outside route on the turn, drew even with Pink Velvet and Evening Time an eighth of a mile out, and won by a length and a half without having been punished. Evening Time got a photo decision over Pink Velvet for second place, and they were followed by Teleran (110), Romanita, Market Basket, Snow White, Willamette, and five others, Outer Space having lasted to challenge Pink Velvet's pace for only half a mile. The winner's time, 1:43%, had been equaled only once in the previous history of the race.

On October 7 Bayou went out against older mares for the second time, in the one-mile Maskette Handicap. The opposition was not nearly so formidable or so numerous as it had been at Delaware Park in June, but the 4-year-old Plotter had the top weight of 124 pounds and was a strong favorite, while Bayou, whose 118 pounds were equivalent by the scale to 122 on an older filly, was fourth choice at 5.75 to 1.

Robert Ussery held Bayou a few lengths off the pace of Pink Velvet (3, 116), then had to drive her hard to get a half-length decision over Rare Treat (116) and Pink Velvet, which finished a head apart, four lengths ahead of Teleran (113), fourth. The others were Levee (113), Tournure (115, including two pounds overweight), Nasrina (112, with three over), Snow White (3, 112), and Plotter. Time, 1:37 on a sloppy track.

Bayou made her last start of the year in Keeneland's weight-for-age Spinster Stakes at 1% miles. Only four runners came out against the odds-on entry of Pucker Up and Beautillion, and Bayou was the only 3-year-old starter. Bornastar gave Pucker Up an unexpected thrashing; Searching was third, and Bayou fourth, beaten about five lengths. Taken at its face value, the result of the

Spinster confirmed the already established conclusion that the 3-year-old fillies of 1957 were less than equal to the older mares.

Bayou was a sturdy individual, deep-bodied, sound of limb, high in quality, with a yellow chestnut coat that prompted the stable hands to give her the nickname of Lemon Drops. She stopped a few weeks at Claiborne Farm after the Keeneland meeting, then was shipped to Hialeah Park along with the 2-year-old Nadir.

J. A. E.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	12	1	4	2	5	\$ 6,080
1957	3	17	6	3	1	7	135,154
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		29	7	7	3	12	\$141,234

BEAM RIDER, ch. c., 4, Poised—Join the Fleet, by Count Fleet. King Ranch, breeder and owner; Max Hirsch, trainer. 110

Beam Rider's form in 1957 was inconsistent, but when the weights were favorable and he felt like running he gave all but the very best of the handicap division a good tussle.

Winner of a maiden race in six races at two, Beam Rider won three allowance races at three, and was unplaced in his only two stakes races.

Early in 1957 Max Hirsch sent the colt to his son, W. J. (Buddy) Hirsch, at Santa Anita Park, and in his first start there, the 1½-mile Santa Anita Maturity Stakes, the colt ran the best race he ever had run. Well back early, he began a strong move at the half-mile-pole, caught Spinney at the eighth-pole, and then weakened slightly to be beaten 1¼ lengths. Lucky G. L. was third, three-quarters of a length behind Beam Rider and five lengths in front of Social Climber. Head Man was the best of the others. In his only other start of the Santa Anita meeting, Beam Rider (115) was unplaced to *Posadas (113) in the San Luis Rey Handicap. Raced without distinction at Bowie, he was sent to

Jamaica for the 1½-mile Excelsior Handicap on April 27. He closed stoutly, but he could not match Midafternoon which gave him 16 pounds and beat him three-quarters of a length.

In the 1½-mile Grey Lag Handicap on May 11 Beam Rider (109) stayed about three lengths off the pace throughout, finishing second to Kingmaker (116). Pylades (111) was third, three-quarters of a length farther back, followed by Oh Johnny (119), Greek Spy (114), Paper Tiger (114), First Served (114), and Third Brother (120). The time of 1:48½ was a new track record.

The Grey Lag was Beam Rider's last impressive race until November. He won three overnight races against moderate opposition during the next six months, but was unplaced in the Suburban, Brooklyn, Nassau County, and Manhattan Handicaps. He was sharp, however, for the 1½-mile Gallant Fox Handicap, at Jamaica on November 2. Far back for 1¼ miles, Beam Rider (109) caught all but Eddie Schmidt (113) in the stretch, missing first money by a half-length. Promised Land (3, 114) was third, followed by Third Brother (126), Dotted Line (108), Whatitoldyou (110), Promethean (3, 106), Cavort (114), Greek Spy (116), Find (123), Mister Gus (122), and Spinney (112). The time of 2:42½ was four-fifths of a second slower than the track record set by Summer Tan in the 1956 Gallant Fox.

In three seasons Beam Rider started 34 times, won eight races, was second nine times, third twice, and earned \$106,350.

D. M. B. III

BELLEAU CHIEF, b. c., 1955, Greek Ship—Belle Revoke, by Revoked. Mrs. Lora Birr, breeder and owner; E. B. Carpenter, trainer. 111

Belleau Chief was unplaced in six of his nine races, but he won one good overnight event, and this, plus a stout-hearted, come-from-behind style, gained him a ranking in the Experimental Free Handicap.

On August 4 at Washington Park he came from sixth at the top of the stretch to win a six-furlong race going away by 1½ lengths from Fulcrum, Nouredin, Prize Host, Talent Show, and Hue and Cry. He also won races at Arlington Park and Hawthorne, but against more moderate opposition.

Belleau Chief tried one stakes, the 6-furlong Hawthorne Juvenile Handicap on October 5. Carrying 111 pounds, he was last of ten horses until the eighth-pole, then passed four horses in the last furlong to finish sixth, only 2½ lengths behind Terra Firma (122) and Elegante (117) and 1½ lengths behind third-place Music Man Fox (120). The record: nine starts, three wins, \$6,790 earned.

D. M. B. III

BE MY HONEY, b. f., 1955, *Free America-Sweet As Honey*, by Dogpatch. E. B. Johnston, breeder and trainer; Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Johnston, owners.

When the bidding stopped at \$7,300 for Be My Honey (first foal of stakes-winning Sweet As Honey) at the 1956 Del Mar sales, she was taken home and broken to race for her breeder and owner. She was sound but small, standing 15:1 and weighing about 900 pounds.

Coming up to the Junior Miss Stakes at Del Mar on July 31 she had started eight times, winning once and placing three times. On several occasions Johnston had chanced using her in claiming races, once with a tag as low as \$7,500, but there had been no takers.

In the Junior Miss Stakes, Be My Honey (113), coupled with her stable-mate Mrs. E. B. (116), lacked early speed, rallied after a half-mile, and with a strong rush got up to beat Cuter Yet (113) by half a length, running the six furlongs in 1:11½.

Be My Honey (113) again was coupled with Mrs. E. B. in the six-furlong Del Mar Debutante Stakes. This time she ran wide in the stretch, finish-

ing third behind Sally Lee (119) and Mrs. E. B. (113).

Throughout the season, her ability to close strongly through the stretch suggested she would like the longer races as a 3-year-old. In 13 starts she won twice, was second three times, third once, and earned \$19,875. G. E. W.

***BEN LOMOND**, ch. c., 1954, *Alycidon-Phaetonia*, by Nearco. John A. Dewar, breeder (in England); Mrs. J. R. H. Thouron, owner; James E. Ryan, trainer. 117

When the late John A. Dewar's bloodstock was dispersed at Newmarket in December, 1954, American dollars were principally responsible for the high prices. Mrs. John R. H. Thouron got one of the bargains when she paid 8,000 guineas (about \$23,500) for the weanling colt by the stayer Alycidon out of Phaetonia, which had been a high-class runner as a 2-year-old, the only season she raced.

*Ben Lomond, which wore a shadow-roll in most of his races, went to the post only five times as a 2-year-old in 1956, when his best showing was a second to King Hairan in the six-furlong Sapling Stakes, beaten half a length and receiving 11 pounds. His best races in 1957 were squeezed into a five-week period in the late summer. He had put in a winter campaign in Florida, but it was not until August, after a lay-off of five months, that his class was made evident.

In a seven-furlong test at Atlantic City on August 19 *Ben Lomond, with 120 pounds, coasted home seven lengths in front, in 1:23½. He then carried 116 pounds to victory in the Ventnor Handicap, running 1½ miles on the turf course in 1:43 to defeat Vertex (122) by a neck.

These two sharp races brought *Ben Lomond an invitation to the United Nations Handicap, in which he was second choice to the odds-on Round Table; but he was knocked back to last place

**Ben Lomond, a son of the good winner Phaetonia, was all out to beat Vertex in the 1½-mile Ventnor Turf Handicap, August 24 at Atlantic City. A month later he won the 1½-mile Discovery Handicap.*



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in the scuffling around the first turn and had little chance of regaining a place among the leaders.

Ignoring the mishap in the United Nations, the Belmont Park price-maker made *Ben Lomond (116) a member of the mutuel field in the Discovery Handicap of September 25. The colt ignored the slight. He made the pace and won by nearly two lengths, running the 1½ miles in 1:49½, with the short-priced entry of Harmonizing (110) and Bureau (118) second and third in the field of 15 3-year-olds.

*Ben Lomond's two later starts were in the 1½-mile Lawrence Realization, in which he was unplaced after leading at the early poles, and the Yankee Handicap, 1½ miles at Suffolk Downs on October 30, in which he had top weight

of 118 pounds and finished fourth to Manteau (115), Assemblyman (117), and Ambehaving (106). P. O'B.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	5	1	1	2	1	\$13,320
1957	3	11	3	1	1	6	47,486
		16	4	2	3	7	\$60,806

BERNBURGGOO, b. c., 1953, *Bernborough-Mattar, by Burgoo King. W. L. McCue, breeder; W. H. Bishop, owner and trainer.

Only stakes success for Bernburgoo in 1957 was in the 1½-mile Continental Turf Handicap on June 1, during the Balmoral meeting at Washington Park. At that time the colt was owned by the Holtsinger-McIlvain Stable and trained

by Douglas M. Davis Jr. Late in the season Bernburgoo was sold to William H. Bishop for a reported \$40,000.

Bernburgoo was one of the light-weights at 109 pounds in the Continental, and he was 41-1 in the betting. Coming from well back, he won by 1½ lengths over *Sunningdale (112) and *Blue Choir (113). He won two other races in 1957—a mile event at Churchill Downs on May 18, and an overnight handicap at 1¼ miles at the Fair Grounds on November 30.

Bernburgoo's best distances were at eight and nine furlongs. He was a sound horse which took kindly to shipping. He raced 29 times at 12 different tracks, won three races, placed in ten others, and earned \$54,610. In three seasons he had won eight of 62 races, placed 23 times, and earned a total of \$87,627.

J. A.

BESOMER, br. c., 1953, Double Jay—Little Martha, by Rosemont. Campanas Stable (Colin MacLeod Jr. and Mrs. H. George Schneider), breeder and owner; Colin MacLeod Jr., trainer. ARH 1956. 109

Colin (Sandy) MacLeod Jr., the Virginia horseman who usually confines his racing activities to the East Coast, tried the Chicago circuit in the summer of 1957. A lot of his horses were in the money, but he won few races. Besomer, the best older horse in the stable, was typical of the MacLeod fortunes, finishing second or third in four of his five Chicago races.

In Besomer's best race he carried 111 pounds and was a strong third to Swoon's Son (131) and Sea O Erin (114) in the one-mile Citation Handicap at Washington Park on May 25. The track was slow, and Besomer was beaten only a neck by the favorite. Ten days later Dogoon gave him three pounds and beat him nearly five lengths going seven furlongs.

Besomer won one race in 1957, beating Candle Wood and Wise Margin at six furlongs over the Atlantic City track on September 28. In four other races

before he quit for the year he was well beaten by Bold Ruler, Tick Tock, and *St. Amour II in the Vosburgh Handicap and lost three races to opponents which, at his best, he should have been able to handle.

J. A.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	5	3	0	0	2	\$ 7,475
1956	3	19	3	3	3	10	34,145
1957	4	14	1	6	3	4	30,135
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		38	7	9	6	16	\$71,755

BETTER BEE, dk. b. c., 1954, TriPLICATE—S. Bee, by Haste. E. K. Thomas, breeder; William S. Miller, owner; Del W. Carroll, trainer. 115

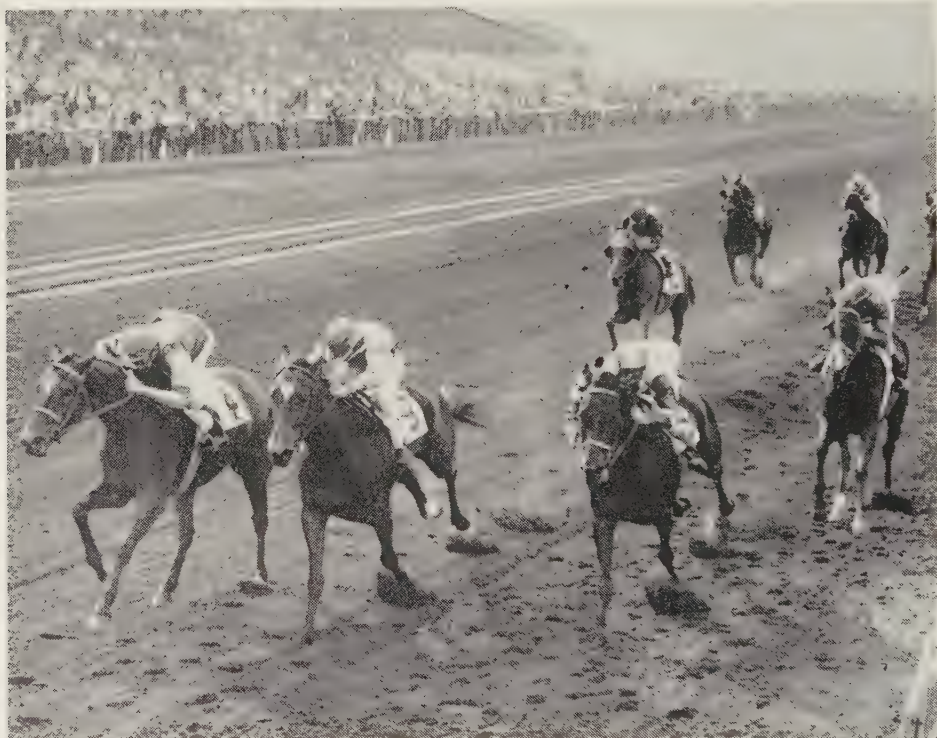
William S. Miller, outspoken member of the Illinois Racing Board, for several years had campaigned a stable with moderate success; so it was unfortunate that Miller was in California on a business trip when one of his color-bearers captured the stable's first stakes event. The race was the \$50,000-added Chicagoan Stakes, June 8 at the Balmoral meeting, and the winner was the mud-loving Better Bee. This was the only stakes victory of the year for Better Bee, but he placed a few other times.

Better Bee had won three of his seven races at two, campaigning only from July 20 to September 29 and avoiding all added-money events except the George Woolf Memorial Stakes, in which he was unplaced to Smart Phil. During his three-year-old season, however, he engaged many of the best horses of his age.

The colt won two of his first seven races in 1957, and one of the best of his early races was his third to Gen. Duke and Iron Liege in the Fountain of Youth Stakes.

Sent to Louisville for the Kentucky Derby, Better Bee gave a good account of himself in the Derby Trial Stakes, finishing third to Federal Hill and Gen. Duke, but ran poorly in the Derby, finishing a dozen lengths back in eighth place.

Bluebility (4) got up in the last strides to beat *Dale's Delight* in *Balmoral's* seven-furlong *Honeymoon Handicap*. *Marooned* (inside) was third. It was the *Blue Swords* filly's only 1957 stakes placing. She is a half-sister to *Hawley* and *W L Sickie*.



Washington Park

The remainder of *Better Bee's* 3-year-old campaign was at the Chicago tracks. He ran three good races there, two of them on off tracks. He beat *Jet Colonel* and **Aberion* in the one-mile Chicagoan Stakes, on a slow track freckled with mud. He was second to the good grass performer *Ekaba* on a soft track at $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles, and he was a close third to *Ezgo* and *Golden Notes* in the $6\frac{1}{2}$ -furlong *Spy Song Handicap*. His best distance seemed to be eight to nine furlongs.

Better Bee was foaled April 16, 1954, at the *Timberlawn Farm* of *E. K. Thomas*, *Paris, Ky.* *Thomas* broke the colt at *Keeneland* and in the spring of 1956 sold him privately to *Miller*. *Better Bee* was the first stakes winner on the flat for *Triplicate*, a good winner for *Fred Astaire*. The stallion stood at

Timberlawn for five years, in 1953 was sent to *Japan*.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	7	3	0	1	3	\$ 8,740
1957	3	18	3	1	4	10	56,275
		25	6	1	5	13	\$65,015

BLUEBILITY, b. f., 1954, *Blue Swords*—*Aristocracy*, by **Bull Dog*. *Mereworth Farm*, breeder; *Hasty House Farms* (Mr. and Mrs. *Allie Reuben*), owner; *Harry Trotsek*, trainer. ARH 1956. 107

In her second start of the year, on June 5 at *Washington Park*, *Bluebility* (106) beat *Dale's Delight* (107) and *Marooned* (108) in the seven-furlong *Honeymoon Handicap*. It was her only

victory of 1957, and in the beaten field were *Estacion (120) and Lady Swords (115).

Bluebilly ran in ten other races, all but one at six and seven furlongs. After her sound defeat by Romanita, Woodlawn, and Love Doll in the seven-furlong Cleopatra Handicap on June 17, trainer Harry Trotsek kept her away from the best of the division.

Bluebilly was sold to Hasty House Farms for \$14,500 at the 1955 Keeneland summer sales. At two she was third in the Princess Pat Stakes and second in the Alcibiades Stakes, earning \$24,469. In 1957 she won once in 11 starts, placed in four other races, and earned \$16,960. Early in 1958 she was sold privately and returned to Mereworth Farm, where she was bred.

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***BLUE CHOIR**, dk. br. h., 1951,
*Menetrier-°Fleur Bleue, by Deux
pour Cent. Lady Ainsworth, breeder
(in Ireland); Mrs. H. L. Nathenson,
owner; R. W. Lilly, trainer. ARH
1956. 107

The last stakes which °Blue Choir won was the 1955 United Nations Handicap, but the French-conceived, Irish-foaled, and American-owned horse ranked among the better handicap horses in 1956 and 1957. He finished second in the Balmoral Turf Handicap and third in the Hialeah Turf, Continental Turf, Stars and Stripes, and Meadowland Handicaps in 1956. His record in 1957 included three good performances against top company.

In the 1½-mile Hialeah Turf Handicap on March 4 °Blue Choir shared top weight of 122 pounds with Lofty Peak. Well back early, he rallied strongly to dead-heat for third with Roman Battle (108), a neck behind Oligarchy (107) and 2½ lengths behind Jabneh (118).

At Pimlico in the 1½-mile Dixie Handicap, on the grass, °Blue Choir (116) stayed close to the pace, took the lead at the eighth-pole, weakened in the last furlong, and finished third to °Akbar

Khan (113) and Jabneh (120). Behind the leaders were °St. Vincent (125), Maharajah (112), Lofty Peak (120), °Lagides (105), °Muguet (109), Aeschylus (118), and Roman Battle (110).

°Blue Choir turned in his last good stakes performance in the 1½-mile Continental Turf Handicap at Balmoral-at-Washington Park on June 1. Carrying 113 pounds, he moved into contention with a rush early in the stretch, then yielded to Bernburgoo (109) and °Sunningdale (112), losing by 1½ lengths. Unplaced in the Balmoral Turf, Stars and Stripes, and Arlington Handicaps, °Blue Choir was retired in August, and he was to enter the stud in 1958. The record, including first money only in Great Britain and Ireland.

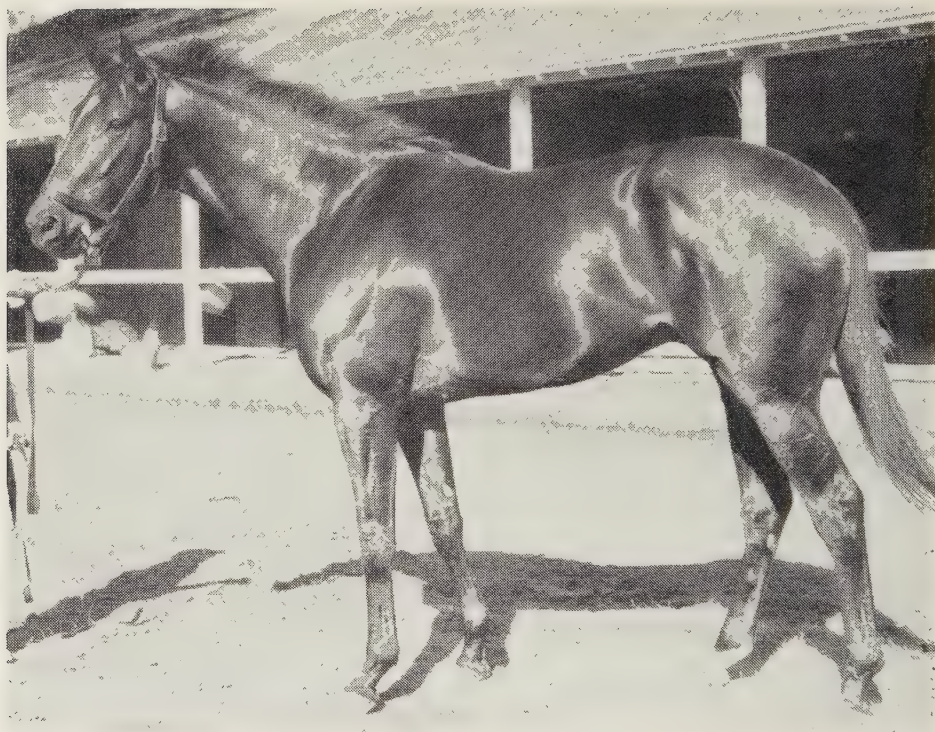
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Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1953	2	8	2	1	0	5	£ 335
1954	3	7	2	1	2	2	814
		15	4	2	2	7	£ 1,149
1955	4	22	6	2	4	10	\$186,095
1956	5	14	3	2	5	4	38,475
1957	6	18	1	2	7	8	20,905
		54	10	6	16	22	\$245,475

BOLD RULER, dk. b. c., 1954, °Nasrullah-Miss Disco, by Discovery. Wheatley Stable (Mrs. H. C. Phipps), breeder and owner; James Fitzsimmons, trainer. ARH 1956. 130

Bold Ruler invited comparison with Nashua. They had the same sire. They were from dams which had shown strong constitution and high class on the race track. They were bred and raised at Claiborne Farm in Kentucky. Both went into the hands of James Edward Fitzsimmons, dean of American trainers, and of Edward Arcaro, master of the race-riding trade. As race horses, both were diamonds of the first water. They had even developed similar hernias when they were sucklings.

Comparison led to contrast. Bold



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BOLD RULER

BOLD RULER, dk. b. c., 1954	{	* Nasrullah, b., 1940	{	Nearco	{	Pharos	{	Phalaris	
							Scapa Flow		
				Mumtaz Begum	{	* Blenheim II	{	Blandford	
							Malva		
				Mumtaz Mahal	{	The Tetrarch	{	Lady Josephine	
	{	Miss Disco, b., 1944		{	Discovery	{	Display	{	Fair Play
								* Cicuta	
			Ariadne		{	* Light Brigade	{	Adrienne	
			Pompey		{	* Sun Briar	{	Cleopatra	
			Outdone		{	Sweep Out	{	Sweep On	
							Dugout		

Ruler was not quite as tall (about 16:1½), but narrower, more on the leg and correspondingly lighter in the barrel, longer in stride, more generous with his speed. He was faster than Nashua. Possibly he was less of a stayer, but the evidence was complicated by an injury which made him difficult to rate. In the spring Jim Fitzsimmons expressed the opinion that Bold Ruler's best distance was something less than a mile and a quarter, but his last race of the year was an outstanding ten-furlong performance.

There was another difference, definitely man-made. Bold Ruler as a 3-year-old carried weights up to 136 pounds. Nashua as a 4-year-old carried 130 pounds twice and was beaten both times. The announcement from his owners that he would not be allowed to carry more than 130 contributed to the delinquency of the handicapping pro-

fession and depreciated his own high reputation. Even Fitzsimmons and Arcaro came to believe that Bold Ruler was the better horse, and they had less reason than anyone else, perhaps, to have their judgment of the horses clouded by psychological reactions to the judgment of other men.

The words *better* and *best*, in any case, should be regarded as oversimplification when they are used to make distinctions among horses of nearly equal merit. At the end of 1956 Bold Ruler was held to be slightly inferior to Barbizon, and Barbizon was the best of the 2-year-old by majority vote—a highly unlikely foundation for an edifice of pure truth. The judgment was not necessarily correct, as was pointed out by *American Race Horses*. (Ordinarily one does not waste other people's time by calling attention to the obvious, but in horse



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Miss Disco, best race mare in a family of good runners, had three foals before producing Bold Ruler; one of these, also by °Nasrullah, was the 1957 Broad Hollow Steeplechase Handicap winner Independence.

racing, as elsewhere, the obvious is sometimes out of focus, if seen at all.)

Bold Ruler was unplaced in the last two races of his 2-year-old season, the Garden State Stakes, in which he struck Jaunty John's heels, and the Remsen, in which he got a poor start and finished last. Both of these races should have been disregarded in appraising the colt, but they weren't, and when Bold Ruler made his first appearance of 1957, in the Bahamas Stakes at Hialeah Park on January 30, he was 3.85 to 1, the longest odds ever offered against him, and was running as an entry with Bureaucracy. The favorite was *Gallant Man, winner of the Hibiscus Stakes a fortnight earlier.

Ted Atkinson, who had the mount on this occasion, allowed Bold Ruler (126) to take the lead in the first furlong and to do the first half-mile in :45. At the eighth-pole, where he had covered six furlongs in 1:09½, Bold Ruler was four lengths ahead of Federal Hill (126); at the finish he was a slightly greater distance ahead of Gen. Duke (114), which had moved into second place. Behind Federal Hill, third, were *Gallant Man (123), *Ben Lomond (115), Ghan Fleet (120), Jet Colonel (114), Mister Jive (126), King Hairan (126), Nitime (123), and Bureaucracy (126).

The winner's time of 1:22 for seven furlongs established a new record for the Bahamas and equaled the track record, set in 1952 by the 4-year-old Crafty Admiral under 107 pounds and equaled two weeks before the Bahamas by the 5-year-old Trentonian under 114 pounds.

On the morning of February 13 Mr. Fitz instructed Atkinson to work Bold Ruler "a good stiff mile." The big colt did the first quarter in :21½, three-eighths in :33½, half in :45, five-eighths in :57, six furlongs in 1:09½, seven in 1:22, mile in 1:35. "No harm's done," said the 82-year-old trainer, but three days later, after doing the first mile of the Everglades Stakes in 1:34½, Bold Ruler (126) took 12½ seconds to get the remaining furlong and was beaten a head

by Gen. Duke (114). The winner's stablemate Iron Liege (117) was six lengths back in third place. The final time of 1:47½ missed the track record by a fifth of a second. Arcaro, who flew in from California for the Everglades, had the mount in this and in all of Bold Ruler's later races.

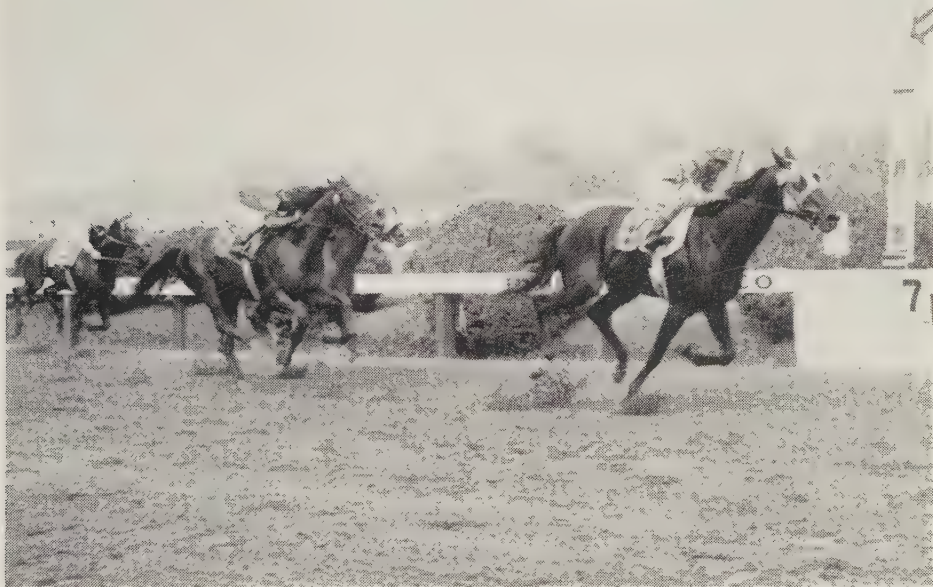
Bold Ruler had been 2 to 5 in the Everglades, and he was 1 to 2 when he met Gen. Duke and five others at even weights in the \$100,000-added Flamingo Stakes on March 2. He followed close on the pace of Federal Hill, went to the front on the last turn, and at the end of a mile in 1:34½ was two lengths ahead of Gen. Duke. The Calumet colt came within a neck of catching him, and again Iron Liege was third, far ahead of Mister Jive, Federal Hill, One-Eyed King, and Missile.

This time Bold Ruler ran the 1½ miles in 1:47, taking a fifth of a second off the track record set by the 4-year-old Spartan Valor under 118 pounds, four less than the Flamingo weight. It was the fastest nine furlongs ever run by a 3-year-old, and only a fifth of a second slower than the world record shared by *Noor, Alidon, and Swaps.

The Flamingo was one of several races which led to the conclusion that Bold Ruler's brilliant speed was not alloyed with stamina enough for him to stand off top-flight opposition at a mile and a quarter. Arcaro had another explanation. Bold Ruler, like many another good horse, had tried to pull himself up after going to the front near the five-sixteenths-pole and had needed several cracks of the whip in the upper stretch. "He went to running again as soon as Gen. Duke got alongside." He was to fail, however, the next time Gen. Duke challenged.

Only five colts came out for the Florida Derby, 1½ miles, \$100,000 added, at Gulfstream Park on March 30, and Bold Ruler was 3 to 5 over the Gen. Duke-Iron Liege entry, Federal Hill, and Shan Pac. Iron Liege and Shan Pac

Bold Ruler won the Preakness with his tongue protected by a soft string tied to the bit. Before this precaution was taken he had revolted against restraint and run poorly in the Kentucky Derby.



Jerry Frutho/f

carried 118 pounds, the others 122. Federal Hill was slowing down after doing the first mile in 1:34%, and at the eighth-pole Bold Ruler, Gen. Duke, and Iron Liege were on a line with him. Gen. Duke went on to win by a length and a half and Bold Ruler maintained a head advantage over Iron Liege as Federal Hill dropped back to last place.

Gen. Duke ran the nine furlongs in 1:46%, equaling the world record, and all five runners were under the wire in faster time than the 1:48% track record established by Needles in winning the 1956 Florida Derby under 117 pounds. Bold Ruler, kept under pressure by the Calumet team all the way from the backstretch, had run about the same race as in the Flamingo; Gen. Duke had done better, and at this point he was the best 3-year-old in the country.

In his four starts in Florida Bold Ruler had a slightly better than even break with Gen. Duke. He had beaten the Calumet colt twice, and twice had finished second to him, but in the first two encounters Bold Ruler was conceding 12 pounds. By the time of the Kentucky Derby an injury had removed Gen. Duke from the scene, but in the meantime another rival of superlative class had developed—Ralph Lowe's °Gallant Man.

*Gallant Man had shown promise in Florida, but not quite enough to indicate that he could run with such horses as Bold Ruler, Gen. Duke, Iron Liege, and Federal Hill. He was 8 to 1 for the Wood Memorial at Jamaica on April 20. Bold Ruler was 1 to 2, and the second choice was Ambehaving, which was injured at the start and had no chance.

Arcaro let the favorite make an even pace of 24 seconds for each of the first three quarters, but *Gallant Man now threw down his challenge, and when they turned into the homestretch he had a slight advantage. The stretch-length duel was in *Gallant Man's favor nearly all the way, but Arcaro, whipping left-handed, got Bold Ruler's nose in front just as they hit the finish line. There was a gap of six lengths between the two leaders and Promised Land, third.

Time for the 1½ miles was 1:48%, a new track record by two-fifths of a second, and the winner, like the other six starters, was carrying 126 pounds. The fastest time for the Wood Memorial in previous years was Correlation's 1:50, in 1954. Nashua and Summer Tan, in a duel like that of 1957, had taken 1:50%.

Bold Ruler was the 6-to-5 favorite for the Kentucky Derby on May 4, but after reaching the stretch in a very favorable position he "failed to stay" and finished fourth to Iron Liege, *Gallant Man, and Round Table, beaten nearly half a dozen lengths.

Arcaro, winner of the Churchill Downs classic on five occasions, probably was the only jockey practicing his trade in 1957 who was willing to blame himself for having caused the defeat of two Derby favorites he had ridden. He had made a wrong guess with Phalanx and lost by a head to Jet Pilot in 1947. In 1957 he thought he had made another wrong guess in taking the favorite back in the first trip past the stands.

"Bold Ruler went into the club house turn like a wild horse. He was so full of run he could have gone right on past Federal Hill, and I should have let him do that, but it wasn't until then that I realized I was fighting him too hard. By then it was too late, because we were already into the turn, and there Federal Hill bore out. I had to take Bold Ruler back off his heels and outside, so I couldn't let him do his own running until we were straightened out on the back side. Then he was empty. I'd dis-

couraged and confused him by fighting him when he wanted to run."

This diagnosis, taken from Arcaro's mouth via Red Smith's column in the *Herald Tribune* of May 20, was not made at once, but it took shape before Bold Ruler moved to Pimlico for the second leg of what is called, in the loose terminology of the American turf, the triple crown. Mr. Fitz, mindful that the colt somehow had suffered a painful and extensive injury to his tongue after going into training as a yearling and that "he doesn't like anybody to fool around with his mouth," agreed with the jockey's analysis and resolved on a change of tactics.

The trainer also put blinkers on Bold Ruler for the 1 1/16-mile Preakness Prep on May 13, but the results were not encouraging. There were only two other runners in the betless race, neither of them supposed to be capable of warming up the big horse, but Bold Ruler was outrun at first by the maiden Convoy and then had to be whipped before he moved away from Inswept in the last furlong to win by a length. The hood was left off in the Preakness, but became regular equipment thereafter.

In the Preakness Stakes of May 18 Bold Ruler went to the post with his tongue protected by a piece of leg-bandage gauze and cotton, rolled into a soft string and anchored in such a way as to prevent the bit from causing pressure on the more sensitive side of the mouth. He was second choice at 7 to 5; Iron Liege was favorite at 13 to 10.

Arcaro let him do the first quarter in 23 seconds, along with Federal Hill, and the next in :23%, and at the end of the first half-mile Iron Liege and Federal Hill were about a length behind him. He had been rank at the first turn, but there was no further trouble. The Derby winner's challenge fell short, and through the greater part of the stretch Bold Ruler held a two-length advantage. Behind Iron Liege were Inside Tract, Promised Land, Nah Hiss, Inswept, and Federal Hill. The winner, though ridden

out, had taken 45% seconds to get the last seven-sixteenths of a mile, and the time for the 1 3/16 miles was 1:56%.

If the Preakness revealed the strategy for winning with Bold Ruler it also revealed to the opposition the strategy for defeating him. The Wheatley Stable colt was 85 to 100 for the 1½-mile Belmont Stakes at Belmont Park on June 15, with only four runners against him. He ran in front for the first mile and a quarter, but at too fast a pace for a test of 1½ miles. Ralph Lowe's *Bold Nero, a brother to *Tulyar, pushed him the first two quarters in 23% seconds each, and on the backstretch fell back and handed the baton to his stablemate *Gallant Man. The third quarter was done in :23%, and when *Gallant Man took the lead just inside the quarter-pole Bold Ruler made only brief resistance. In the last furlong he collapsed so completely that he yielded second place to the former plater Inside Tract and finished a dozen lengths behind the winner, which ran the 12 furlongs in 2:26%, a new American record. Bold Ruler's time for the first mile and a quarter had been 2:01%, equal to Whirlaway's Kentucky Derby record.

The Belmont appeared to have measured the length of Bold Ruler's tether. Perhaps it did. But it would have been a remarkable feat if, after making such a pace, he had retained the strength to run with *Gallant Man in the stretch.

For the next two months Bold Ruler needed nursing more than training. He got a severe reaction from encephalitis vaccine. He passed up the Arlington Classic because of being "too tired for too long" after a workout. He had a splint on his left fore leg, and as soon as that was corrected he began to show a mysterious sort of lameness which finally was traced to a "nerve condition" in the right shoulder. The trouble eventually disappeared without ever having been diagnosed, and when Bold Ruler reappeared at Belmont Park after a rest at Saratoga he was loaded for bear.

Returning to action as an odds-on choice in the overnight Times Square

Handicap on September 9, Bold Ruler (128) ran six furlongs in 1:10% and won by 5½ lengths from Greek Game (121), which had an almost equal margin over Egostistical (115) and Cohoes (121). The time within two-fifths of the track record, and what was more impressive was that Bold Ruler had galloped away from the others in the last quarter. The exhibition on Monday came in time for Frank Kilroe to assign him top weight of 130 pounds for the one-mile Jerome Handicap of the following Saturday.

The small field for the Jerome included nothing capable of challenging Bold Ruler, which followed close on the early pace of *Winged Mercury (106) and Greek Game (116), then moved away in the homestretch to win by six lengths from his stablemate, Ogden Phipps' Bureaucracy (113). *Winged Mercury, third, was followed by Greek Game, Tenacious (114, including 5 pounds overweight), and Cohoes (119). The sloppy track was quite fast, and Bold Ruler, despite his leisurely finish, ran the mile in 1:35, missing Count Fleet's track record by a fifth of a second.

Arcaro was delighted to find that Bold Ruler now submitted to control in the early stages of a race, but the result of his next attempt at restraint was to give him pause. The 1¼-mile Woodward Stakes of September 28 was the best weight-for-age race of the year, as it was intended to be, though it drew only Bold Ruler, *Gallant Man and the older Dedicate and Reneged. The winner of this one would need strength in the last stretch. Arcaro kept Bold Ruler about a length off the pace of Reneged until they were near the stretch, then let him take a clear lead at the end of a mile in 1:36. In the next furlong Dedicate and *Gallant Man went past him, and Bold Ruler was beaten about 3½ lengths, lasting just long enough to beat Reneged for third place.

This was Bold Ruler's last defeat of the year. In the Vosburgh Handicap he took up top weight of 130 pounds against older horses, galloped to a nine-length victory over Tick Tock (117),

*St. Amour II (114), and five others, and ran the seven furlongs on a sloppy track in 1:21%, lowering by three-fifths of a second the track record set by the powerful Roseben in 1906.

For the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Queens County Handicap, run at Jamaica October 19, Bold Ruler's weight assignment moved up to 133 pounds. Arcaro eased him up after he had reached the last furlong with a six-length lead, and he won by 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths from Promised Land (3, 111). The others were Greek Spy (114), Manteau (3, 112), Oh Johnny (112), and Go Lightly (111). The time was 1:42%, the track record 1:42.

Bold Ruler then went to Garden State Park, where on November 2, a week before the Trenton Handicap, he took up 136 pounds and breezed to a 12-length victory in the Benjamin Franklin Handicap, getting the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ miles in 1:44% on a sloppy track and virtually ignoring the three other 3-year-old starters, Sarno (109), Jet Colonel (113, including 4 pounds overweight), and Ekaba (115).

Mr. Fitz, remembering the colt's three failures in his races at 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ miles or more, had not intended starting in the Trenton Handicap, but now, with Bold Ruler at the top of his form and with a decisive race at hand, he and Mrs. Phipps accepted the challenge. The Trenton, of course, was open to older horses, but only Bold Ruler, *Gallant Man, and Round Table went to the post—the best three 3-year-olds in training.

Handicapper Ty Shea ranked *Gallant Man and Round Table even at 124 pounds, gave Bold Ruler two pounds less. If the handicapping had been left to horsemen on the grounds, the three colts probably would have carried equal weight. They were so evenly matched that the Garden State Park management allowed place betting in a three-horse race. The straight pool had \$86,842 on *Gallant Man, \$80,852 on Bold Ruler, \$78,511 on Round Table; the corresponding totals in the place pool were \$7,622, \$7,557, and \$7,253.

In the first run past the stands Bold

Ruler opened a four-length advantage over Round Table, and in the backstretch he doubled the margin. Neither Harmatz, on Round Table, nor Shoemaker, on *Gallant Man, made an effort to go with the leader; their algebra, presumably, told them that if Y killed X, then Z would kill Y, and since neither of them was willing to be equal to Y in this equation, their only chance was that X would commit suicide. But when X approached the far turn with an eight-length lead it was time for hostilities to begin.

Round Table never fired a shot; the track had been rained on the previous night, and it was slippery in places, so that he never ran confidently. *Gallant Man cut between him and the rail as they rounded the turn, and at the top of the homestretch they were head-and-head, with Bold Ruler still four lengths in front. *Gallant Man had the greater momentum, and he left Round Table far behind, but he only came within shooting distance of the leader. Bold Ruler's long lead had permitted him a breather in the fourth quarter, and Arcaro had only to wave the whip in the stretch. *Gallant Man was beaten 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths, and Round Table was 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths farther back.

Bold Ruler had run the quarters in :23%, :23%, :24, :25%, and :24%. Despite the damp track, which the chart-makers called *good*, he ran the mile and a quarter in 2:01%, three-fifths slower than the track record and three-fifths faster than Iron Liege's Kentucky Derby.

The Trenton had been described, in the magniloquent phrase of the sports pages, as the race for the championship. So it turned out to be, since championships now were conferred by ballot, and since it was the last race, before the voting, for any of the three participants. But the 1957 racing season had four 3-year-olds of exceptional stature, Bold Ruler, *Gallant Man, Gen. Duke, and Round Table, and it was a presumption of the worst sort for the choice among them to be left to a ballot, especially to a ballot so strongly influenced by the result

of one race in which only one of the contestants was at his brilliant best.

Frank Kilroe set the official seal on the degree of Bold Ruler's excellence by weighting him twice at 139 pounds, for the $1\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Knickerbocker Handicap on November 9 and for the Roamer Handicap, at 13/16 miles, on November 16. This was the highest impost ever given a 3-year-old in the U. S., a pound more than Man o' War carried to victory in the Potomac Handicap of 1920, and only a pound less than the highest weight ever carried by Bold Ruler's maternal grandsire, the redoubtable Discovery.

If Bold Ruler was faster than his best rivals, it was only because of the tongue-tearing accident which made him less amenable to restraint; if he seemed to be less of a stayer, it may have been for the same reason. Along with the other three colts, he compared favorably with the best of the remarkable crop of 1952 foals, which included Nashua, Swaps, Summer Tan, Sailor, Saratoga, Dedicate, Royal Note, Royal Coinage, Bardstown, and other exceptional runners. J.A.E.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	10	7	1	0	2	\$139,050
1957	3	16	11	2	2	1	415,160
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		26	18	3	2	3	\$554,210

BOLERO U., ch. c., 1955, Bolero-Big Lu, by Challedon. Clarence Hartwick, breeder; Estate of J. L. McKnight, owner; W. R. Mitchell, trainer. 117

Most precocious high-class 2-year-old of 1957 was Bolero U., a big-bodied, 16:1 colt which won six of ten from January 17 to July 4. He won twice at three furlongs, was third to Board Man and Miss Frac Job in the three-furlong Hialeah Juvenile Stakes. In one of these baby sprints he stumbled at the break and still got up to win by $1\frac{1}{4}$ lengths.

In his fifth start, the Gulfstream Park Juvenile Stakes, Bolero U. equaled the world record for $4\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs and clipped three-fifths of a second off the track record, winning by five lengths. Not since

Saggy competed at the now defunct Havre de Grace Course in 1947 had a horse run 990 yards in :51%.

Bolero U. picked up admirers in New York, when he scored convincingly in Jamaica's Youthful Stakes, beating Nisht Amool at level weights. The Ostriker colt reversed that decision in their next meeting. In Garden State Park's Cherry Hill Stakes, Bolero U. (122) lost to Nisht Amool (116) by a length in the excellent time of :59% for five furlongs. Li'l Fella (113) and Jewel's Reward (113) were in the beaten field.

Bolero U.'s owner, the veteran horseman J. L. McKnight, died shortly after the Cherry Hill, but it was agreed that the colt's campaign should continue, with all of his winnings reverting to the estate, in the name of Selena Kirksdat, McKnight's daughter. McKnight had purchased Bolero U. privately as a yearling from Clarence Hartwick for a reported \$10,000 and had broken and given the colt his early trials at his farm in Tyron, N. C.

Trainer W. R. Mitchell said, "Bolero U. came to me a made horse. Mr. McKnight knew he had a runner, and he was fit when I got him in January. He'd bucked his shins running over all the stones on the old man's North Carolina track, and he knew what to do when he hit a turn." Mitchell, who had been a horse trainer for a bit more than 10 years after a successful career as a conditioner of racing greyhounds, added, "Bolero U. is far and away the best horse I've ever had. As far as the name is concerned I guess Mr. McKnight had so much success and fun with Agrarian U. (52 wins in 231 starts)

Bolero, ch., 1946	{ Eight Thirty	{ Pilate
	{ Dinner Time	
	{ Stepwisely	{ Wise Counsellor
BOLERO U., ch. c., 1955		{ Stephanie
	{ Challedon	{ *Challenger II
Big Lu, b., 1948		{ Laura Gal
	{ Blue Lu	{ Blue Larkspur
		{ Lucille Wright

that he just tacked another U on the name of the next real runner he got." Mitchell eventually lost the colt when Bolero U. was turned over to public trainer John A. Nerud late in the fall.

Under the ownership of McKnight's estate the big colt won two more stakes. At Delaware Park on June 22 he scored in the Dover Stakes. Bolero U. (125) ran with the leaders from the start, pulled away in the stretch, then held on to win by a neck from A Dragon Killer (116), with Hubcap (125) another length away. Only Casemate, Tahiti, and Royal Note had won the 5½-furlong Dover in faster time than Bolero U.'s 1:05.

On July 4 Bolero U. set his second track record, shaving a fifth of a second off the old mark in winning Monmouth Park's Tyro Stakes in 1:03½ for 5½ furlongs. In many ways this was his best race of the year. Under 122 pounds, he remained near the pace of Jimmer (115) and Jewel's Reward (111), wore these two down with a steady run, and was going away at the finish. It appeared that Bolero U. was able to conserve his speed for a big run, and prospects were bright.

Bolero U. and Jewel's Reward met again in Belmont's Tremont Stakes. Jewel's Reward (114) won his first stakes, but the still-green Maine Chance colt had come over immediately after the start and all but eliminated Bolero U. (126) and Refugee (114). Bolero U. finished fifth, beaten five lengths, but he had not straightened away until the field was well on its way down the Widener Course.

Bolero U. raced three more times before his retirement in August, but his intense speed was no longer with him. He was unplaced to Jewel's Reward in the Tremont Stakes, to Li'l Fella in the Great American Stakes, and to Plion in the Sapling Stakes.

He seemed to be a fresh horse again when the winter season opened in Florida. Competing in the six-furlong

Dade County Handicap at Tropical Park, he closed well under 122 pounds to finish third to Hubcap (117) and Counter Spy (115), beaten two lengths. The record: 14 starts, six wins, two seconds, two thirds, earnings of \$58,312. P. O'B.

BORNASTAR, dk. b. f., 1953 *Alibhai-Farmerette, by *Sickle. Shawnee Farm (Mrs. Parker B. Poe), breeder; J. Graham Brown, owner; W. Graves Sparks, trainer. 116

Toward the end of 1957 there was no sharper race mare in the country than J. Graham Brown's Bornastar, which climaxed her campaign with a brilliant victory over Pucker Up in the weight-for-age, 1½-mile Spinster Stakes at Keeneland.

Bought for \$21,500 at the 1954 Keeneland summer sales, Bornastar was a daughter of the good race mare Farmerette, winner of the Correction and Colonial Handicaps under the colors of Mrs. W. P. Stewart. Farmerette's first seven foals, including the good stakes-winning filly Miss Mommy, were for Coldstream Farm, and in the farm's dispersal in 1951 Farmerette was sold for \$56,000 to Shawnee Farm, of Harrodsburg, Ky.

Bornastar, Farmerette's second foal for Shawnee, was unraced at two, won or placed in seven races at three; and it wasn't until the summer of 1957 that she began to live up to her rather appropriate name.

The Spinster, restricted to 3- 4- and 5-year-old fillies and mares, drew only six starters, including the favored entry of Pucker Up and Beautillion. Willie Shoemaker broke Pucker Up on top, but John Heckmann moved Beautillion to the front on the first turn and she led her stablemate by two lengths after a quarter. Bornastar, with Kenny Church at the reins, was about six lengths farther back. (Church was a late substitute for Bill Hartack, who had promised trainer W. Graves Sparks that he would ride the filly, then forgot the appointment.)

Strongly urged with 3½ furlongs to go,

Bornastar rushed past the leaders and won by 2½ lengths. Pucker Up took second place, three-quarters of a length ahead of the fast-closing Searching. The others were Bayou (generally rated the best 3-year-old filly), Beautillion, and Lady Swords. Bayou carried 119, as opposed to 123 on the others. The time was 1:49½ over a good track.

A week earlier, in a seven-furlong betless affair, Pucker Up had defeated

Bornastar by a length and a half, carrying 126 pounds to her rival's 120.

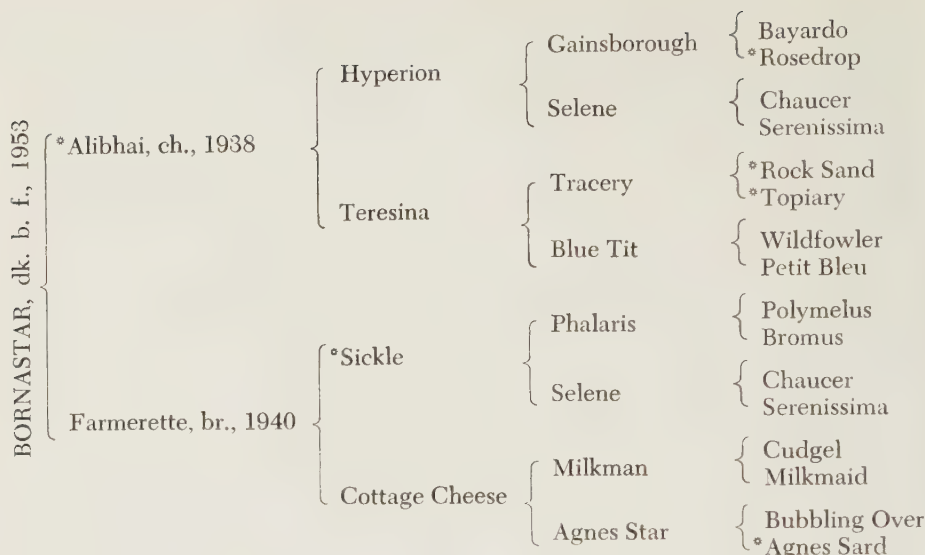
Bornastar started 1957 rather inconspicuously, losing four times before winning a 5½-furlong race on the grass at Arlington Park on July 1. Unplaced behind colts in another 5½-furlong grass race, she was 66-1 in the one-mile Arlington Matron. Carrying 111 pounds, including Church, Bornastar rallied well in the stretch to finish second, two



J. C. Meadors

*Bornastar, 4-year-old filly by *Alibhai out of the good race mare Farmerette, ran the best race of her career at Keeneland October 24, beating Pucker Up, Searching, Bayou, and Beautillion in the 1½-mile Spinster Stakes.*

BORNASTAR



lengths behind Pucker Up (120). Time over a slow track was 1:37. Calumet Farm's Princess Turia (124), coupled with Amoret and Miss Arlette, was among the defeated.

In her last two races before the Keeneland meeting Bornastar (110) was third to Dotted Line (112) and Lady Swords (108) in the Beverly Handicap, but was moved to second because Lady Swords had bothered her, and under 119 pounds beat Lady LaRue (110) and Fighting Jury (111) in the 6½-furlong Yo Tambien Handicap.

J. A.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1956	3	11	4	2	1	4	\$ 15,070
1957	4	13	5	3	0	5	85,285
		24	9	5	1	9	\$100,355

BRIDGEWORK, b. f. 1955, Occupy-
 *Feale Bridge, by Gold Bridge. L. S. MacPhail, breeder; Mrs. Anson A. Bigelow, owner; George P. Odom, trainer. 108

Bridgework came within a steward's

decision of lasting fame. While she is listed as winner of the 1957 Sorority Stakes, it is likely that she will be remembered longer as the only filly to finish in front of Idun in 1957.

It was on July 19 that trainer Sherrill Ward took the wraps off Idun for the first time, entering the *Royal Charger filly in a maiden race down Belmont Park's Widener Course. Bridgework, with only one other race behind her, was one of the 17 others in the field. The bumping started soon after the break. Bridgework, under apprentice jockey George Munsell, got to the lead immediately, then began to veer left from the extreme right side of the long straightaway.

Among the 15 horses between Bridgework and the inside rail were Idun and James Cox Brady's Lament. Bridgework maintained a half-length lead over these two, and the three pulled away from the others. Their path was a diagonal, with Bridgework doing the herding. Lament, nearest the rail, felt the squeeze, finally took back and came around the other side. Had this tactic been accomplished sooner, Lament might have won, but of

course the rider had no means of foreseeing the later jam.

Bridgework went under the wire nearly a length ahead of Idun with Lament another neck back in third place, but the other two numbers were moved up and Bridgework was once again a maiden.

The Occupy filly did not remain in this category long. Five days later she drew away from another field of maidens, winning by two lengths in :58%, slower time than she had taken to finish ahead of Idun. Bridgework then shipped to Monmouth Park for the Sorority.

In the New Jersey race, Bridgework's only effort outside of New York, she assumed the lead soon after the start and easily drew away from Maraja and Sweet Mandy to win by 4½ lengths. Her time of 1:12½ was good for the sloppy racing strip.

Bridgework then went to Saratoga, where she had been purchased the previous summer by Mrs. Bigelow for \$7,000. She was pointed for the two big stakes of her division, the Schuyler-ville and the Spinaway. Favored in the former, Bridgework (119) was conceding three pounds to Pocahontas, which beat her a head in 1:07½ for the 5½ furlongs. Bridgework had the lead high in the stretch but was caught in the final strides.

In the longer Spinaway, Bridgework again had the lead high in the stretch, but this time two fillies passed her, and rather quickly. Sequoia won over Armorial, and the Occupy filly was three lengths back of the winner. The Saratoga track was wet that day, and Se-

quoia's time of 1:12½ was considered excellent.

Bridgework met Idun again in her last 1957 start on September 14 at Belmont, but this time she was far off her best form and was unplaced.

Bridgework won two of seven races, placed in three others, and earned \$24,872. P. O'B.

BUFORD, b. c., 1954, Better Self-Vinina, by Vincentine. J. A. Bell Jr., breeder; E. O. Stice and Sons, owner; W. F. Alvarado, trainer. —

If Buford had quit racing after his first four starts in California, the bay son of Better Self would have been acclaimed as one of the top young sprinters of the year in the West. Purchased privately in November, 1956, for \$30,000 by E. O. Stice and Sons, who had not had a stakes winner since On Trust, Buford made his first start in California in late December in the Tournament of Roses Purse at Santa Anita. It was a promising debut as he was beaten only a nose by Mrs. Connie Ring's excellent sprinter Liberal Art.

In Buford's next start, the six-furlong Los Feliz Stakes, he was eighth to Sir William, which later won the Santa Anita Derby. Then, within the space of a week, Buford (115) won the six-furlong San Miguel Stakes in 1:09½, nosing out Gold Cover (112), Swirling Abbey (126), and Sir William (118), and the seven-furlong San Vicente Stakes in 1:22, hanging on to beat *Seaneen, which he was giving six pounds, by a head.

In the Santa Anita Derby, Buford set the pace to the last quarter before fading back to sixth. In the Bay Meadows Derby he finished fourth behind Round Table, which just then was beginning to round to his excellent form. For the rest of the year, Buford ran in sprints, but without success.

Bred by J. A. Bell Jr., Buford was entered in the 1955 Saratoga sales, but struck a knee the night before he was to

	{*Bull Dog	{*Teddy
Occupy, b., 1941	{	{Plucky Liege
Miss Bunting	{	{Bunting
BRIDGEWORK, br. f., 1955	{	{Mirthful
{Gold Bridge	{†*Golden Boss	
*Feale Bridge, ch., 1942	{	{Flying Diadem
{Tolerate	{Essexford	
†Swynford or *Golden Boss	{	{Miss Tolka

enter the ring. The knee became badly swollen, and a \$5,000 reserve was put on the colt. He didn't sell.

The colt in 1956 had won two races, placed twice, and earned \$7,020; in 1957 he won two of 15 races, placed once, and earned \$37,170.

R. H.

BUMPY ROAD, b. c., 1955, Andys Glory-Little Jeep, by War Glory. Irving Gushen, breeder; Mrs. Irving Gushen, owner; Eddie Anspach, trainer. —

One of the best horses raced by Irving Gushen was Andys Glory, a son of Andy K. which won 26 races and earned \$79,675 before his retirement to stud in 1954. One of the eight foals in Andys Glory's first crop was Bumpy Road,

which promised to become another hard-hitting performer.

Third in a maiden race at Keeneland on April 12 in his first effort, Bumpy Road broke his maiden at the same track on April 18, beating Litte Reaper and eight others. Six days later he won the Lafayette Stakes from Alliance, Red Hot Pistol, Litte Reaper, Colonel Johnson, and Bull Dog Ace. Bumpy Road's time for the four furlongs and 152 feet was :48%, cutting three-fifths of a second from the previous track record.

Sixth in the Bashford Manor Stakes at Churchill Downs, Bumpy Road got his second and last stakes placing in the five-furlong Christiana at Delaware Park on June 12. Unable to match the early speed of Hubcap, he remained about 1½ lengths off the pace throughout, easily holding second over Ambi-



Bert and Richard Morgan

Bureaucracy gave Little Hermit seven pounds and beat him 1½ lengths in the 1 3/16-mile Dwyer Handicap, July 27 at Belmont Park. Another length back in third place was Tenacious. Bureaucracy's time was 1:55%.

twixt, Eastern Hobo, and A Dragon Killer. Unplaced to Bolero U. in the Dover Stakes and third to Plicn in an allowance race at Monmouth Park, he was put on the shelf by injuries in mid-July. The record: eight starts, two wins, two seconds, two thirds, \$16,180 earned.

D. M. B. III

BUREAUCRACY, lt. br. c., 1954, Polynesian-Busanda, by War Admiral. Ogden Phipps, breeder and owner; James E. Fitzsimmons, trainer. ARH 1956. 116

When Bureaucracy put his mind to it, there weren't many horses which could beat him. In the 1¼-mile Travers Stakes, August 17 at Saratoga, he stayed a half-length off *Gallant Man throughout the stretch, and there weren't many 3-year-olds which could do that. But in his next race, the 1 3/16-mile American Derby of August 31, Bureaucracy was 23 lengths off Round Table. Except for three races in July, he never put two good performances back to back.

In his first start of the season, the seven-furlong Bahamas Handicap, Bureaucracy finished 27 lengths behind his stablemate, Bold Ruler, at equal weight of 126 pounds. He won one of his next four races, beating Pioneeress and Boy King and losing to horses which shouldn't have beat him, and in a mile event at Belmont Park June 18 he turned in the first good race of his campaign, carrying 116 pounds and beating Nah Hiss (122) a head, with Tenacious (113) another head back.

The 1¼-mile Saranac Handicap on July 6 provided Bureaucracy (113) with his first 1957 stakes placing, a fast-closing second to Cohoes (120), winner by three lengths in 1:43%. A week later at Narragansett Park he beat Inswept a head in the 1½-mile Providence Stakes, running within a length of the pace all the way and getting up in the last sixteenth. He ran the same type of race in the 1¼-mile Lamplighter Handicap,

July 17 at Monmouth Park, but Stratmat (115), receiving five pounds, held him off to win by a neck.

Bureaucracy's last good race in this series was Belmont Park's 1 3/16-mile Dwyer Handicap. Carrying 114 pounds, he was held about five lengths off the pace for a mile, and moved confidently through the stretch to win going away by 1½ lengths over Little Hermit (107), with Tenacious (113) another length farther back.

Vertex (114), Dark Trust (114), and Inswept (122) beat Bureaucracy (126) handily in the 1½-mile Choice Stakes, and two weeks later, on August 17, he ran quite possibly the best race of his career in the Travers.

*Gallant Man (126) was coming off an excellent seven-furlong sprint race, his lone start since winning the Belmont Stakes in American-record time. Bureaucracy (116) was fourth choice to the 3-20 favorite. Pop Corn was eliminated at the start when he stumbled and unseated his jockey. Jocko's Walk (112) led to the three-eighths-pole. Bureaucracy took over and, racing along the rail, went into the stretch with a length over *Gallant Man, which had swung wide for the big run.

Bureaucracy held *Gallant Man to the eighth-pole, where the favorite got a half-length in front. Bureaucracy came on again along the inside, and in a very game exhibition was closing ground on *Gallant Man at the end. Had *Gallant Man been short that day Bureaucracy might have nailed him; so it was a very good showing for Bureaucracy, which could in no way be classed with *Gallant Man.

Bureaucracy placed twice more in stakes, carrying 113 pounds and finishing second, six lengths behind Bold Ruler, in the one-mile Jerome Handicap, and carrying 118 pounds and finishing third, three lengths behind *Ben Lo-mond, in the 1½-mile Discovery Handicap. His last three races of his campaign were far below his potential, and he

finished unplaced and far up the track in the Lawrence Realization, Jockey Club Gold Cup, and Yankee Handicap.

P. O'B.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	13	2	2	2	7	\$ 36,015
1957	3	20	4	4	2	10	87,625
		33	6	6	4	17	\$123,640

BURST O'SONG, b. f., 1955, *Spy Song*—*Impulsive*, by *Supremus*. L. B. Mayer, breeder; P. H. B. Frelinghuysen, owner; Herb Paley, trainer. —

Only two victories dotted the 1957 record of Burst O'Song, but in most of her other eight starts she was running against fillies which outclassed her. She could not keep up with the likes of Idun, Poly Hi, Pocahontas, Sequoia, and Oil Rich, but she came off fairly well.

Aside from her two winning races, Burst O'Song's best effort was her fifth in the Rancocas Stakes. Trailing Oil Rich by a dozen lengths, she made up half that margin in the last quarter-mile to show good closing ability. It was off this race that Burst O'Song won her second race of the year, beating fillies at Belmont Park in the good time of :57½ for five furlongs down the Widener straightaway.

Burst O'Song was also third in the Rosedale Stakes, 4½ lengths behind Poly Hi. She won two of ten races, placed twice, and earned \$6,805.

P. O'B.

CALL ME LUCKY, dk. b. c., 1953, *°Mahmoud*—*Mystery Lady*, by *°Bull Dog*. Danada Farm (Mr. and Mrs. Dan Rice), breeder; Mrs. Ada L. Rice, owner; J. P. Conway, trainer.

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Call Me Lucky, whose 1956 campaign was shortened by ankle trouble, touched all bases in 1957, from Florida to California to Chicago to the Eastern seaboard. The tour was mildly successful; he won the mile-and-70-yard Magic

City Handicap at Gulfstream Park and placed in two other stakes.

The colt had won a six-furlong sprint in three races before the Magic City, for which he was weighted with 109 pounds. He ran close to the pace for six furlongs and won easily by 1½ lengths over Nance's Lad. In his only other stakes placings he carried 108 pounds to second place, three lengths behind Swoon's Son (132), in the Equipoise Mile Handicap on July 17, and he carried 106 pounds to finish second, 3½ lengths behind Dogoon (117) in the one-mile Chicago Handicap.

A son of the 1948 Rosedale Stakes winner *Mystery Lady*, Call Me Lucky was foaled May 3, 1953, at Danada Farm, Lexington, Ky. He was one of the few colts to beat Needles during the Kentucky Derby winner's 3-year-old campaign, turning the trick in a seven-furlong race at Hialeah Park. In three seasons at the track Call Me Lucky won six of 30 races, placed eight times, and earned \$48,745.

J. A.

CANADIAN CHAMP, b. c., 1953, *Windfields*—*Bolesteo*, by *°Filisteo*. E. P. Taylor, breeder; W. R. Beasley, owner; John Passero, trainer. —

In 1957, as in 1955 and 1956, Canadian Champ was one of the best horses on the Canadian circuit. He failed to dominate the dominion's racing as he had for the two previous years, but he preserved his record of never being unplaced in his native country.

Sent to Florida for a winter campaign, Canadian Champ was unplaced in the Hialeah Inaugural and Palm Beach Handicaps. In five other races at Hialeah and Gulfstream Park he won once and was second 3 times.

Canadian Champ's nine remaining races were in Canada, where he won the 6½-furlong Swynford and the Horometer Stakes and Inferno Handicap, both at 1½ miles. He was second in the Ultimus and Seaway Handicaps and the Jacques

Call Me Lucky won one stakes in 1957, the mile-and-70-yard Magic City Handicap. The good sprinter Nance's Lad (rail) was second.



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Cartier and Seagram Cup Stakes and third in the Canadian Maturity and Bunty Lawless Stakes. His best winning race was the 1½-mile Horometer on September 7, when he led all the way to win by three lengths while setting a new track record of 1:50½ at Old Woodbine. In the Seaway he finished two lengths behind Hartney, to which he was conceding ten pounds, and in the Seagram Cup he was only a neck behind Dorones Lad, which was getting ten pounds.

D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	9	6	2	0	1	\$ 51,480
1956	3	16	10	1	0	5	71,350
1957	4	17	4	8	3	2	28,875
	42	20	11	3	8		\$151,705

CAREER BOY, dk. br. c., 1953, Phalanx-Swanky, by *Mahmoud. C. V. Whitney, breeder and owner; S. E. Veitch, trainer. ARH 1955-56. 117

Career Boy, among the best of his division at two and three, never rounded into top form at four. Brought along slowly by trainer Sylvester Veitch, he made his first start in a 1½-mile overnight handicap at Belmont Park on June 27, finishing fifth behind Beam Rider (113), and in his next three races he was unplaced to Traffic Judge (124) in the Suburban Handicap, to Dedicate (124) in the Monmouth Handicap, and to Ricci Tavi (122) in the American Legion Handicap. In each of these races he carried 119 to 124 pounds.

On August 24, however, it appeared

that he might be coming to hand. In the 1¼-mile Saratoga Handicap Career Boy (118) closed ground quite well in the stretch to finish a close third to Reneged (113) and Ricci Tavi (116), beaten 2½ lengths. Behind him were Riley (114), Dedicate (127), Kingmaker (117), Illusionist (108), Thinking Cap (113), and High King (108).

After the Saratoga race, owner C. V. Whitney again began to think about the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, in which Career Boy had finished fourth to Ribot in 1956. He was sent to Atlantic City for some grass racing, and on September 9 he finished third to *Akbar Khan and Old Roman at one mile, and five days later, with 123 pounds, he was fourth to Round Table (3, 118), *Tudor Era (112), and Find (122) in the 1 3/16-mile United Nations Handicap, four lengths behind the winner. He had been close to the pace all the way, but he could not gain in the stretch.

Despite his performances in Atlantic City, Career Boy was flown to Paris late in September for the Arc de Triomphe. He was far back throughout in the French classic, and after the race it was discovered he had wrenched an ankle. The injury later was diagnosed more exactly as a chipped sesamoid bone.

In November, Whitney announced that Career Boy would be syndicated and would enter the stud in 1958. The horse was to stand at Peter Jay's farm in Maryland. In three seasons he won eight of 30 starts in the U. S., finished second five times, third four times, and earned \$251,089. He also earned 1,250,000 francs in the 1956 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe.

D. M. B. III

CASTING, b. f., 1955, Rippey-Ariel Beauty, by Ariel. Clifford Lussky, breeder and owner; Stanley Reiser, trainer. —

One of the quickest of the two-year-old fillies early in 1957 was Casting, half-sister to Federal Hill. She won three of

her first four starts, failed in her next five races and in late July was sidelined for the balance of the year.

Casting opened her season at the Fair Grounds in New Orleans on January 8, winning a 2½-furlong race going away by two lengths. The stable then shipped her to Hialeah Park, where on February 27 she took a three-furlong dash by three lengths. A month later she lost by a half-length to Poly Hi at equal weights in another three-furlong race at Gulfstream Park.

Five days later, at the same weights, Casting routed Poly Hi by three lengths in the three-furlong Singing Tower Stakes. Valiant Ship was third, as in the previous race. This was Casting's last winning race.

Casting never raced farther than 5½ furlongs, and toward the end of her campaign even this seemed a bit too much. In nine starts she had three victories, two seconds, and a third, earning \$15,420.

J. A.

CAVORT, ch. g., 1952, by *Goya II-Bramble Bug, by Display. Coldstream Farm (E. E. Dale Shaffer), breeder; Clearwater Stable (E. A. Roberts and F. L. Leatherbury), owners; A. J. Pupino, trainer. 109

The campaign of 1957 was a frustrating one for Cavort, but it wasn't the first season a stakes victory had escaped him by a narrow margin. His narrow misses in the Manhattan and Long Island Handicaps were his fifth and sixth seconds in major races.

Cavort had a good measure of speed, but it seemed to be of most value in long races. He set the pace for the 1¼-mile Long Island and was nipped at the wire by Promethean (3, 106), winner by a nose in 2:44. The race was for non-winners of a stakes, and the handicapper burdened Cavort with top weight of 117 pounds. Beam Rider (114) was third, three lengths farther back.

In the 1¼-mile Manhattan Handicap,

Cavort (110) and Beam Rider (111) were the only non-stakes winners in the lineup. Cavort set the pace for six furlongs, then gave way to Reneged (125), which held a constant two-length lead to the finish. The winner's time was 2:29%. In Cavort's only winning race he carried 115 pounds and beat Pop Corn (115) a neck, with Tenacious (113) a length back.

In 15 races in 1957 Cavort won once, placed in five others, and earned \$25,225, giving him four-season totals of 11 wins in 45 races and earnings of \$93,700. P. O'B.

CHALK TALK, dk. b. f., 1955, Education-Artistic Rose, by *Challenger II. James D. Drymon, breeder; John H. Clark, owner; Isaac Perlstein, trainer. 106

Bred by James D. Drymon at his Strodes Creek Farm, Paris, Ky., Chalk Talk was sold to John H. Clark, owner of the Clark Horse Agency, Lexington, at the 1956 Keeneland fall sales for \$3,700, top price among the five Education fillies sold at auction in 1956. She proved a notable bargain, earning \$21,752 in 12 races in New England and Canada.

Unplaced in a \$7,500 claiming race at Lincoln Downs in her first start, Chalk Talk was in the money in each of her other 11 efforts. Her first stakes race was the Bay State Kindergarten at Suffolk Downs, in which she was a surprise second to Deadeye Dick.

She faced colts again in the Narragansett Nursery Stakes on July 30, and gave another good performance. Second most of the way, she moved to the pace-setting Harlou at the eighth-pole, then was forced to take up sharply when the latter bore in. Harlou won by a half-length, but the stewards awarded Chalk Talk first money. A Dragon Killer was third.

Chalk Talk's four remaining races were in Canada. She was first and third in two overnight races, was second to

Drummond in the Display Stakes and third to Lady Yolande in the Vandal Stakes.

The record: 12 starts, three wins, six seconds, two thirds, earnings of \$21,752.

D. M. B. III

CHANCE IT TONY, b. c., 1955, Challenge Me-South Seas, by Polynesian. James G. Henderson, breeder; Mrs. Anna Cannuli, owner; W. Manzi, trainer. 114

Chance it Tony, bred by James G. Henderson, of Lexington, Ky., was sold to Anthony Cannuli, a New Jersey truck gardener, for \$2,300 at the 1956 Keeneland fall sales. He was a bit slow coming to hand, and it wasn't until September and October, when he turned in four good races in five efforts, that it became obvious he was one of the bargain yearlings of 1956. His strong finishes at 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ miles indicated that he would handle longer distances without difficulty.

In the seven-furlong World's Playground Stakes at Atlantic City on September 7, Chance it Tony made up 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in the last quarter to finish second to Li'l Fella, beaten 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths. Plion was the best of the seven which finished behind him. Three weeks later, at Rockingham Park for the Granite State Purse, a \$10,000 overnight at a mile and 70 yards, he made up 11 lengths in the last quarter to finish a head behind Hillsdale.

Chance it Tony was no factor in the Champagne Stakes, but he was a close fourth to Music Man Fox and Nadir, beaten 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths, in the Garden State Trial. His last race of the season was the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Garden State Stakes on October 26. Sixth at the top of the stretch, 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths off the pace, he made up 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in last quarter to finish fourth to Nadir, Terra Firma, and Rose Trellis. Some of the year's best 2-year-olds were behind him, including Misty Flight, Music Man Fox, Jewel's Reward, and Yemen. The record: 17 starts, two wins, four seconds, two thirds, earnings of \$31,507. D. M. B. III

Chevation, a son of the Pimlico Oaks winner Fairy Chant, won the Philadelphia Turf Handicap, pushing total earnings over \$200,000.



Turfphotos

CHEVATION, ch. h., 1951, °Alibhai-Fairy Chant, by Chance Shot. Foxcatcher Farm (William E. du Pont Jr.), breeder and owner; R. E. Handlen, trainer. **112**

An overpowering run from last place, gaining more than a dozen lengths in the last half-mile of the Philadelphia Turf Handicap, brought Chevation into the ranks of stakes winners for the fourth consecutive season. It was on this high note that the handsome, delicately balanced stallion was retired to stud.

When Chevation was good he was very, very good, but when he was bad he was horrible. Age seemed to dull his competitive spirit at times.

A son of the excellent race mare Fairy Chant, Chevation waited until Memorial Day to start his 1957 campaign, having rested a year to the day since a leg injury forced him out after winning the 1956 Dixie Handicap. He ran poorly in

his first four races before scoring in allowance company at Belmont Park on July 23.

For his big race, the Philadelphia on September 28, he carried 111 pounds. He had but one horse beaten at the half-way point in the $1\frac{1}{16}$ -mile grass event, but in the last half-mile he picked up all the others to win by three-quarters of a length from Hoop Band (116), with °Tudor Era (122) nearly two lengths farther back. In his last racing year he seemed at his best on turf, but in earlier seasons distance and track conditions never daunted him.

P. O'B.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1953	2	4	1	0	0	3	\$ 2,600
1954	3	15	4	0	2	9	92,750
1955	4	11	2	2	1	6	61,375
1956	5	7	2	2	0	3	30,750
1957	6	9	3	0	0	6	27,552
		46	12	4	3	27	\$215,027

CIRCLE LEA, br. c., 1955, Admiral
Lea-Family Circle, by *Beau Pere.
Frank Marshall, breeder and owner;
Albert Foster, trainer. 111

Frank Marshall a few years ago turned from melon-growing to a cattle-and-cotton operation at his River Ranch in California's San Joaquin Valley. Thoroughbreds are a sideline.

Circle Lea was foaled at River Ranch April 21, 1955. Family Circle, his dam, won at three and was fourth in the Sierra Stakes. Her dam, the unraced *Manasa, had been imported from Australia by the late Louis B. Mayer. The colt was of good size, and at the end of his first campaign he stood 16:1 and weighed about 1,000 pounds.

"From the first, he did everything so easy as to be deceiving," said trainer Albert Foster. "I'd send him out to go a half-mile in :50, and the exercise boy wouldn't believe it when I told him my watch caught him in :47."

Circle Lea made his first start April 18, on a muddy track at Bay Meadows, and was unplaced, about 13 lengths behind the winner, Father John. "He's a long-striding horse and hasn't acted as if he'll like mud," Foster said after the race.

In Circle Lea's second start, a 5½-furlong maiden race at Hollywood Park June 19, he was a head back after a half-mile, run in :46, and drew out under pressure to win by three lengths in 1:04½ from a horse called Mr. B. Solomon.

On July 13, in a 5½-furlong event also run in 1:04½, he was fourth behind Strong Ruler, Beau Madison, and Prize Host, beaten 3½ lengths, and six days later, in another race at 5½ furlongs, he closed from six lengths back entering the stretch to be second, three-quarters of a length behind McTavish and a half-length in front of Beau Madison. "His best race is off the pace," Foster decided.

In a 5½-furlong race on July 24 he drew No. 1 post position and was favored at 6 to 5 odds. He was a length and a half back at the end of the first

quarter, a head off the lead after a half-mile. With jockey Ray York driving him hard, he won by a neck in 1:05. Titanium was second, Cuter Yet third.

Circle Lea's first stakes race was in the six-furlong Graduation at Del Mar August 7. He trailed by four lengths at the end of a half-mile, but closed well to be third, 1½ lengths behind the winner, Strong Bay, and a length back of the second-place Titanium. The time was 1:10½.

On August 26 in Del Mar's six-furlong California Thoroughbred Breeders Sales Stakes Circle Lea wore down Disdainful to win by a neck in 1:10½. Furyvan was third, followed by Call Me Tony, Rebel Rob, Full O Dreams, Mobilize, Oh Yeah, Captain M, and Titanium.

When a strike interrupted racing at Tanforan in the fall, the stable took the precaution of blistering Circle Lea's ankles. He returned to competition at Santa Anita in the seven-furlong California Breeders' Trial Stakes on December 28, finishing sixth in the nine-horse field.

"Bad weather up north slowed his training, and he ran well as far as he was prepared to go," Foster said. "Circle Lea's a kind colt, although he favors certain exercise boys and always wants company in his works. With company, though, he'll do anything asked of him. He's never sour."

In eight starts, Circle Lea won three races, was second once, and third once, earning \$14,975. G. E. W.

CLANDESTINE, dk. b. c., 1955, Double Jay-Conniver, by Discovery. Mrs. Winston Guest, breeder; Templeton Stable (Mrs. Winston Guest), owner; Thomas R. Bell Jr., trainer. 107

Conniver did not win in six starts at two, and was not prominent at three, but as a 4-year-old she was one of the best race mares of the season. Her first foal was Plotter, which first gained distinction in her 4-year-old season, when

she won the Top Flight and Vagrancy Handicaps.

Conniver's second foal was Clandestine, which overthrew the family tradition by breaking his maiden in his last start of the year, July 9 at Belmont Park. His performances had stamped him as a comer.

Clandestine made his first start on May 18, two days after his sister had won her second consecutive race. He was second choice to the Wheatley Stable entry of Nasco (Bold Ruler's little brother) and Misty Flight. Whirling Billie won. Clandestine made a game try but finished third, with three lengths and Nasco separating him from the winner.

Going five furlongs six days later, he was second to Another Art, beaten 4½ lengths. He tried another five-furlong event June 17, but Louis d'Or chose to graduate that day, and Clandestine was three lengths back. The winner's time down the Widener Course was :57.

The five-furlong National Stallion Stakes had a small field, and trainer Bell took a gamble. Under 122 pounds, his colt ran third nearly all the way, finishing about seven lengths behind Jester

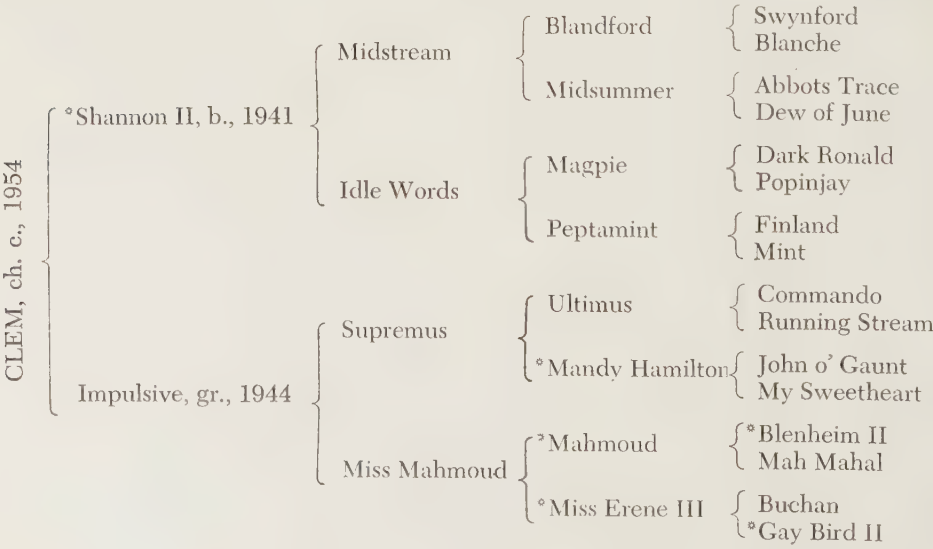
(117). Jimmer (122) was second. Clandestine never really threatened Jester, but it was an excellent race for a maiden colt with only three starts under his girth.

On July 9 Clandestine made the grade. Running 5½ furlongs down the Widener Course, he finished a neck in front of Amber Tide, in 1:03¾. With one victory and four placings in five starts, Clandestine had earned \$6,850. P. O'B.

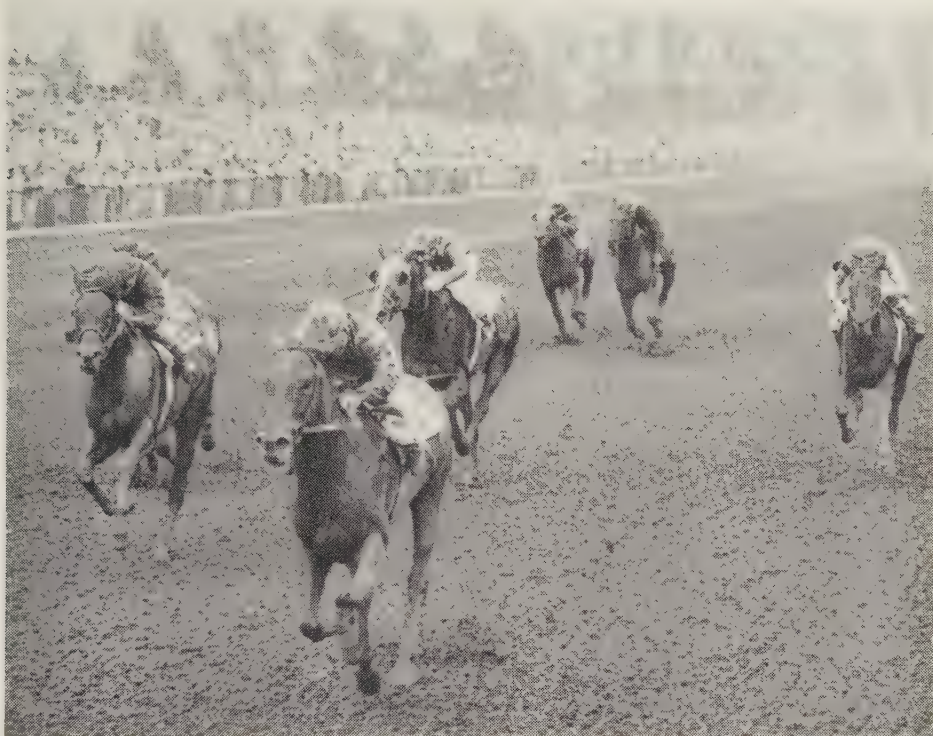
CLEM, ch. c., 1954, *Shannon II-Impulsive, by Supremus. L. B. Mayer, breeder; Mrs. Adele L. Rand, owner; William W. Stephens, trainer. ARH 1956. 124

Laws are made to be broken, they say, and one which was shattered with frequency during 1957 was the prohibition against certain forms of transmission of race results. A few charitable and necessarily anonymous breakers of the law made provisions for Clem McCarthy, who had described so many races to so many fans in his years of race-calling, to receive first-hand accounts of how his namesake fared in all his outings.

CLEM



Clem's largest prize in 1957 was the Arlington Classic, in which he beat the Kentucky Derby winner Iron Liege by 1½ lengths. Manteau (outside) was third. Clem also won the Shevlin and Withers Stakes.



Arlington Park

Clem, the horse, did very well, and Clem, the patient, had quite a few pleasant moments in his room at Mt. Sinai Hospital, listening to highly illegal phone calls.

Before Clem McCarthy went to the hospital as victim of an automobile injury, Mrs. Adele Rand graciously named a horse for him. The colt was a yearling purchased at Keeneland for \$8,500. As a son of *Shannon II it was natural that he be named for McCarthy. "I hope he can run faster than I can," said Clem, and his hopes were rewarded. Clem was not only faster, but he was just as game as the man who made "R-r-r-acing fans" famous.

The equine Clem, a half-brother to stakes winners Miss Ardan and Silverado, wintered at Columbia, S. C., after a

2-year-old season which saw him win the Absecon Island Stakes and finish second in the Saratoga Special and Sanford Stakes, third in the World's Playground Stakes. When Clem returned to New York from the Iodine State he was minus a great portion of his tail (an acid condition had made the hair fall out, it was explained), but he had gained weight and muscle. Evidence of his fitness was shown on the opening day of the New York season, when he won first pop out of the box, beating a field of allowance horses in 1:05½ for 5½ furlongs. Clem stayed in the money in all of his other 1957 starts, until an injured hoof forced him out of action in August.

Clem came back in the six-furlong Swift Stakes, run on a sloppy track. He

had good late speed, but it was not sufficient to catch King Hairan or Missile; at the finish he was a bit less than two lengths off the winner. In the $1\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Gotham Stakes he finished third, $4\frac{1}{2}$ lengths off Mister Jive while conceding four pounds. Promised Land was second. Clem had passed three horses in the last eighth, but the winner and second were moving away from him.

Clem was weighted three pounds under King Hairan (126) for the six-furlong Jamaica Handicap, but neither of them could catch Pertshire (112) that afternoon. Clem beat King Hairan by two lengths, and was nearly as far behind Pertshire. He had been forced to make two runs in the sprint race, having been pinched back going into the turn after making a surprising early run for the lead.

Two races at Garden State Park followed a similar pattern. Getting off poorly in the six-furlong Delaware Valley Stakes, Clem (124) made up seven lengths in the last furlong, but was three-quarters of a length short of winning. King Hairan (124) and Irate (113) were in front of him. He did much better in the $1\frac{1}{8}$ -mile Jersey Stakes, but the photogenic nose of Iron Liege beat him out of first money. The Jersey came after Iron Liege had won the Kentucky Derby and had been runner-up to Bold Ruler in the Preakness, so Clem was tangling with a colt which had plenty of distance under his belt. Iron Liege (126) was conceding eight pounds to the runner-up. Conn McCreary kept Clem within a length of the favorite through the early part of the race, then made a strong stretch drive. Clem inched closer, but never got to the front. The two went under the wire in an excellent 1:48. It was the first time McCreary had ridden Clem, and the last time he was beaten on him.

Clem returned to New York, where the best 3-year-olds were pointing for the $1\frac{1}{2}$ -mile Belmont Stakes, and won the seven-furlong Shevlin Stakes, three

days before the last of the Triple Crown events. There was no Iron Liege, *Gal-lant Man, or Bold Ruler in the Shevlin, and Clem spread-eagled his field. Easing away from Out to Win and Tenacious, he crossed the finish line in 1:22 $\frac{1}{2}$, six lengths on top. He came within two-fifths of a second of Roseben's 51-year-old track record, which Bold Ruler shattered later in the season.

Twelve days later, on June 24, Clem went after the Withers Mile, for which he was favorite at 1 to 2. McCreary again kept him close to the early pace, then hustled through the stretch to win by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths over Cohoes, with Tenacious another five lengths back in third place. Time for the mile was 1:36 $\frac{1}{2}$.

A third straight stakes victory was achieved in the one-mile Arlington Classic, along with revenge on Iron Liege. Running over a slow strip, Clem (117) got past Iron Liege (123) in the stretch to win by nearly two lengths. Manteau (117) was another two lengths back in third place. It was Clem's first \$100,000 race, and first money brought his earnings near the \$200,000 mark.

Clem then was pointed for the American Derby, but never got to it. In Washington Park's Sheridan Handicap he bruised a foot so badly that he was out of competition for the remainder of the year. He finished third in the Sheridan, three lengths off Iron Liege (124), which conceded him two pounds.

Iron Liege's nose was all that kept Clem from winning at nine furlongs, in the Jersey Stakes. Clem's ability at longer distances was not measured, but he won stakes in slop and on fast tracks, and he showed courage in all his efforts.

P. O'B.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	14	3	2	3	6	\$ 33,700
1957	3	10	4	2	4	0	171,100
		—	—	—	—	—	—
		24	7	4	7	6	\$204,800

COHOES, b. c., 1954, °Mahmoud-Belle of Troy, by Blue Larkspur. Greentree Stud, breeder; Greentree Stable (John Hay Whitney and Mrs. Charles S. Payson), owner; John Gaver, trainer. ARH 1956. 117

Cohoes was not with the top rank of 1957 three-year-olds, but he had several good efforts against others which weren't either.

In the one-mile Withers at Belmont Park on June 24, Cohoes alternated in setting and pressing the pace for seven furlongs, but in the stretch he could not handle Clem, which drew off to score by 1½ lengths. Tenacious was third, five lengths back, followed by Irate, Nitime, and Legal Crisis.

Clem passed up the 1¼-mile Saranac Handicap ten days later, and Cohoes (120) was a 1-2 favorite. He took the lead from Bakht (112) after five furlongs, and won easily by three lengths. Bureaucracy (113) was second, Pertshire (115) third.

Handicapper Frank E. Kilroe jumped Cohoes seven pounds for the 1 3/16 Dwyer Handicap on July 27, and he was a 3-5 choice. Cohoes stumbled at the start, jockey Ted Atkinson fell off, and Bureaucracy went on to win.

Rested during the Saratoga meeting, Cohoes ran twice against Bold Ruler early in September. With weight concessions of seven and 11 pounds, he finished fourth in a six-furlong overnight handicap on September 9 and sixth in the one-mile Jerome Handicap on September 14. He won two of his next three races, beating Nearctic at six furlongs and Made Out at a mile, and closed his campaign in the 1¼-mile Knickerbocker Handicap, run on a sloppy track at Jamaica on November 9. Cohoes (120), with the pace for six furlongs, tired badly in the last quarter and finished fourth, beaten nine lengths by Promised Land (114), which was reaching his best form. Assemblyman (117) was second, Ambehaving (108) third.

In two seasons Cohoes won seven of

23 starts, finished second four times and third three times, and earned \$95,240.

D. M. B. III

°COMBUSTION II, b. c., 1953, Combat-Viola II, by °Sir Gallahad III. Lord Dunraven, breeder (in France); Green Dunes Farm (J. E. O'Connell), owner; T. J. Barry, trainer. —

Viola, which appears in the English Stud Book as Viola II, was bred in the U. S. by Belair Stud. A half-sister to Bossuet, Hyphasis, Tremor, and Foxation, she placed twice in four starts at two, and was sent to England in 1947 as a 3-year-old. She didn't get to the races at three, and in 1948 Belair sold her to Lord Adare. After producing two foals in four years she was sold to Lord Dunraven, and for him, in 1953, she dropped °Combustion II. At the 1954 Doncaster yearling sales °Combustion II was sold to J. E. O'Connell's Green Dunes Farm for 2,000 guineas (\$5,880).

Brought to the U. S., °Combustion II was second in the Mayflower and Absecon Island Stakes at two; second in the Lamplighter Handicap and third in the Choice Stakes and Sophomore Special at three. He became a stakes winner in 1957, although still several pounds below the better horses of his division.

After a victory and a second in three overnight races, °Combustion II (110) ran in the 1¼-mile Long Branch Handicap at Monmouth Park on June 26. The track was sloppy, and he did not appear to like the going, although he beat three of the six starters. Beau Fond (107) and Cedrus (118), which battled for first money, finished 15 lengths in front of him.

°Combustion II (110) ran his best race of the year in a division of the Longfellow Handicap, one mile on the grass at Monmouth Park on July 5. He took the lead at the head of the stretch and won easily by three lengths over °Mars II (110), with the favored °Tudor Era (118) third, another 3½ lengths away. The also-rans were Ambiguous

(112), Aeschylus (122), Skysweeper (108), and Tony's Chance (109).

At Narragansett Park for the 1½-mile Governor's Handicap on July 20, *Combustion II (110) was close all the way, but he could not catch Go Lightly (118), which led throughout to win by 2½ lengths. Gray Phantom (120) was third, 2½ lengths behind *Combustion II. War Piper (111), Tournure (108), Illusionist (110), and Park Dandy (112) also ran. His three-year record: ten wins in 44 starts, 11 seconds, four thirds, and \$81,741 earned. D. M. B. III

CORN HUSKER, br. g., 1953, *Endeavour II—Miss Nebraska, by Omaha. Mrs. M. E. Person (Mrs. Richard Lunn), breeder; Llangollen Farm (Mrs. Lunn), owner; C. Whittingham, trainer. 113

In the fall of 1956 when Mrs. M. E. (Liz) Lunn was assembling a division of horses at her farm in Virginia for a winter campaign at Santa Anita Park, trainer Charley Whittingham said, almost in despair, "Please don't send that jumper to me."

The jumper was Corn Husker, a rugged gelding of about 16:2 which had won a hurdle stakes at Belmont Park and nothing much else. "I'll breed them and feed them," Mrs. Lunn replied (in fun, of course), "and you train them. Then, we'll both be happy."

They were. The unfashionable gelding developed into the star of the Santa Anita season. In six starts at Arcadia the plain-looking son of *Endeavour II won four races, including back-to-back victories in two \$100,000 stakes, the Santa Anita and San Juan Capistrano Handicaps, and was third in his other two outings.

When the Arcadia totals were in, Corn Husker had earned \$201,500, the second-largest amount ever compiled by one horse in a single meeting at Santa Anita, and Whittingham had changed his tune. "This horse may be another Swaps," he

said. This, of course, was stretching it a little.

Corn Husker made his first start under Whittingham's tutelage on January 1 in the San Gabriel Handicap, 1¼ miles over the grass. Although there was nothing too formidable in the field, Eddie Arcaro, who ordinarily rides for Mrs. Lunn's Llangollen Farm, passed up the mount on Corn Husker in favor of *Prince Cortauld, and racing secretary Frank E. (Jimmy) Kilroe indicated he felt pretty much the same way about it. He assigned *Prince Cortauld top weight of 124 pounds, and let Corn Husker in with 107. *Prince Cortauld finished next-to-last in the 12-horse field, while Corn Husker, closing ground steadily after a slow start, got to the front just inside the eighth-pole and drew clear.

Corn Husker's next start was in the nine-furlong Determine Handicap, run on a good track. The early fractions were slow, enabling the only speed horse in the field, Blen Host, to hang on to win. Corn Husker, finishing along the rail, closed a gap in the stretch but had to settle for third-place, three-quarters of a length back.

On the theory that Corn Husker preferred grass to dirt, Whittingham next saddled the former hurdler for the 1¼-mile San Marcos Handicap. The competition was slightly tougher field than he had put down in the San Gabriel, and Corn Husker (114) finished third to Alidon (114) and Battle Dance (116) after being much closer to the early pace than usual.

Whittingham, a former Marine who saw action at Guadalcanal and other hot spots in the Pacific, may have found out

	{ British Empire	{ Colombo
*Endeavour II, b., 1942		{ Rose of England
	{ Himalaya	{ Hunter's Moon
CORN HUSKER, br. g., 1953		{ Partenope
	{ Omaha	{ Gallant Fox
Miss Nebraska, b., 1940		{ Flambino
	{ Brocado	{ The Porter
		{ *Brocatelle

*Corn Husker beat *Holandes II a half-length in the Santa Anita Handicap. Spinney was another half-length back. A converted hurdler, Corn Husker also took the San Gabriel and San Juan Capistrano Handicaps.*



Santa Anita Park

something about Corn Husker that day. At any rate, Mrs. Lunn's gelding wasn't stopped in his next three races.

In an overnight conditioner for the Santa Anita Handicap, in which Corn Husker already had his weight of 104 pounds, he carried 119 pounds and defeated Pit Boss (112) and Spinney (119).

Corn Husker's development had been so rapid that Arcaro now wanted to ride him in the most important race of the Santa Anita season, but it was impossible to steam and starve off enough pounds, so the mount went to Ralph Neves. For a week Neves, who ordinarily rides at 110, avoided his own restaurant in Pasadena, and he weighed in at 105, only a pound over the allotted impost. It proved to be the most profitable diet Neves ever managed.

Only four horses figured prominently in the running of the Santa Anita Handicap. Battle Dance (110), a speed horse which stood to benefit from the "good" track, had the lead for the first mile.

But he could not shake off Spinney (108), which had won the Maturity in an upset and was running the biggest races of his career. Going into the last quarter, Spinney went ahead, but almost as soon as he took the lead he was collared by Corn Husker and *Holandes II (121).

Corn Husker, as usual, had improved his position steadily after a comfortable start. On the far turn he swung wide to get around Battle Dance and Spinney, while *Holandes II, far back in the early running, moved up between horses. That was the end of the line for Battle Dance, but only the beginning of the real battle for Corn Husker, *Holandes II, and Spinney.

At the quarter-pole Corn Husker, on the extreme outside, had a half-length lead, but at the furlong-pole *Holandes II, beautifully ridden by Willie Shoemaker, was within a head of the leader. The difference in weights—105 to 121—took its toll, and in the last sixteenth Corn Husker edged away to win by half

a length. Spinney, holding on stubbornly while racing along the rail, was third, another half-length back.

Corn Husker's time was 2:01½, which was extremely good, considering that a storm had dumped 2½ inches of rain on the course in six hours the previous night. Santa Anita officials had received word of the approaching storm just in time to seal the track by rolling trucks and all other available heavy equipment back and fourth over the course. They packed the track so hard that the water rolled off instead of soaking in. Before the races got under way on handicap day, the seal was broken by harrows. The track was called slow for the first race, good for the second, and fast for the race immediately after Corn Husker's victory.

In the winner's circle Mrs. Lunn, who had spent considerable time schooling Corn Husker over the hurdles, planted a dozen or more kisses on her pet's nose for the television cameras.

Mrs. Lunn once sold his dam, Miss Nebraska, for \$700, and a few weeks before his victory in the Santa Anita Handicap she bought her back again. As a 2-year-old, Corn Husker had been unable to win in nine starts, one of the events a \$10,000 claiming race. Mrs. Lunn converted him into a hurdler especially for the purpose of winning the L. E. Stoddard Jr. Stakes, named in honor of a friend of hers. The gelding took this stakes while carrying 141 pounds, and captured another hurdle race at Belmont Park by 15 lengths with 135 pounds in the saddle. His 105-pound impost in the Santa Anita Handicap must have seemed like nothing at all.

Because of his name, Mrs. Lunn called Corn Husker her "country horse," but he outslickered the city horses again in the San Juan Capistrano. This was a handicap at a mile and about six furlongs over a winding, hillside grass course, which was soft and squishy from a downpour earlier in the afternoon. Corn Husker carried 116 pounds, and won by a head from Spinney (114),

with *Holandes II a soundly beaten eighth in the field of 13.

The finish of the San Juan Capistrano was so close it gave Mrs. Lunn her biggest thrill in racing. "It was even better than winning the Santa Anita Handicap," she said. "I thought Eddie and Corn Husker were going to wait forever, and then they just made it in the last jump!"

Arcaro and Corn Husker had been delayed by a serious traffic jam on the far turn. They were moving up strongly after a slow start when *St. Vincent, the 2-1 favorite, was forced to take up and out. Corn Husker, immediately behind, had to check his stride. "I thought that we were done for," Arcaro said, "but the next moment my entry (Traffic Judge) went by, and Corn Husker started running again."

As they swung into the stretch, Spinney, which had led most of the way, began shaking off his challengers and reaching out for the wire. Gigantic was the first to give way, and then *St. Vincent, tiring badly in the soft going under his load of 125 pounds. Traffic Judge's bold rush around the turn lost its steam in mid-stretch.

By this time Corn Husker, swinging wide around the sharp turn for home, was making his big run. Most of the tired leaders came back to him quickly, but not Spinney. A furlong from the wire it seemed that Corn Husker had no chance; at the sixteenth-pole, he still looked like a beaten horse. But in the last 20 yards Corn Husker and Arcaro put everything into a last desperate charge, and in the last moment the game gelding shoved his head to the front. His clocking of 2:55, 8½ seconds slower than *St. Vincent's track record of 2:46½, was proof of the soggy condition of the course.

Although Corn Husker's record at Santa Anita was compiled mainly on the grass or on soft tracks that had been well dampened by rains, Whittingham was confident that the big fellow would fare just as well over the abnormally fast track at Hollywood Park.

Corn Husker was freshened up, along with the remainder of the Llangollen Farm string. His next start was on May 18 in the Los Angeles Handicap at seven furlongs. Carrying 119 pounds, he made one promising run on the far turn, then dropped to third as his stablemate Porterhouse (123), won convincingly. It was a promising start for a summer campaign.

But Corn Husker's string was running out. He made one more start, then was through for the year. With an impost of 122 pounds, he went postward favored at 2.30-1 in the mile Argonaut Handicap, but finished a soundly beaten fifth to Terrang. The next day it was discovered that Corn Husker had developed tendon trouble in his right fore leg. He was sent to Rancho Llangollen in the hope that a long rest might bring him back to top form.

R. H.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	9	0	1	1	7	\$ 1,280
1956	3	7	4	1	0	2	14,995
1957	4	8	4	0	3	1	209,000
		—	—	—	—	—	—
		24	8	2	4	10	\$225,275

COUNT CHIC, br. c., 1953, Count Speed-Chicella, by Chicuelo. Elizabeth Rehers, breeder; Dino A. Lozzi, owner; L. A. Lawson, trainer. ARH 1956. 109

Count Chic was foaled February 25, 1953, at Mrs. John D. Hertz's Amarillo Ranch in Canoga Park. He was sold as a 2-year-old at the CTBA mid-winter sale at Pomona for \$4,500 to R. W. Swenson, of Oregon.

After racing nine times for Swenson, Count Chic was claimed for \$6,500 by Dino A. Lozzi, a Seattle restaurant owner. Except for his second in the 1955 George Drumheller Memorial at Longacres, all of Count Chic's stakes placings were in the silks of Lozzi.

His 1957 campaign started with a fourth in the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile San Fernando Stakes at Santa Anita, and a week later

he was second in the nine-furlong Santa Catalina Handicap, beaten a length by Honeys Alibi, carrying 122 against Count Chic's 118. Terrang (120) was third. On January 25, in a good overnight handicap at nine furlongs, Count Chic (119) was nosed out by Blen Host (111) with Corn Husker (114) third. His last two starts at Santa Anita were in the San Antonio and Santa Anita handicaps, in both of which he finished far back.

At Bay Meadows on March 9 he caught a sloppy track for the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Bay Meadows Handicap. With 116 pounds up, he was nicely rated by Merlin Volzke for six furlongs, moved up approaching the stretch turn. He had to be steadied when he ran up on horses' heels, but recovered quickly to take command and draw clear, winning handily by a five-length margin in 1:45%. Fleet Charge (110) was second, Battle Dance (118) third.

For the nine-furlong Art Sparks Handicap, Count Chic was assigned top weight of 120 pounds, three more than Battle Dance, second high weight. Battle Dance drew out entering the stretch and was under pressure to hold Count Chic safe, the latter making up five lengths to miss by only half a length on the muddy track.

After a slow start, Count Chic (117) finished third to *Holandes II (122) and Windsor Serial (114) in the overnight O'Brien Handicap, beaten 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths. In the nine-furlong William P. Kyne Memorial Handicap, Count Chic (115) rallied but again was third, this time beaten half a length by *Pibe Carlitos (110), with Eddie Schmidt (112) second. Count Chic rallied mildly in the Children's Handicap to finish fourth.

G. E. W.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	15	5	4	3	3	\$ 19,150
1956	3	27	6	3	5	13	116,110
1957	4	11	1	3	2	5	39,600
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		53	12	10	10	21	\$174,860

COUNTER SPY, b. c., 1955, Spy Song—Belle Histoire, by Blue Larkspur. Wheatley Stable (Mrs. H. C. Phipps), breeder and owner; James E. Fitzsimmons, trainer. 110

Reputedly the fastest of the 15 2-year-olds in the care of James Fitzsimmons at Aqueduct in the spring of 1957 was Counter Spy. The word had come, not from the trainer, but from those who watched the colt work in the morning. At that time of day he could do amazing things; he never chose to do them, however, in the afternoon.

Counter Spy was far from a flop. He won two of 13 races and earned \$15,705. He was good for a quarter in :23 or less, but he faded at the end of his sprints.

In his best showing Counter Spy outraced an allowance field at Belmont Park in the fall and carried his speed to six furlong in 1:12½, finishing 1½ lengths ahead of Barina. His only stakes placing was a third to Jimmer (122) and Hubcap (115) in the 5½-furlong DeSoto Handicap. He carried 113 pounds and lost by 3½ lengths. P. O'B.

CRASHER, b. c., 1955, Your Host—°Ingall, by Manna. Llangollen Farm (Mrs. M. E. Lunn), breeder and owner; Charles Whittingham, trainer. 116

One of the easiest rides Bill Boland had in 1957 was aboard Crasher at Belmont Park on October 5. All the Texas jockey had to do was hang on while Crasher, with no urging, ran a mile in 1:38, beating horses well below his own class with extreme ease. He had been disqualified from his only previous victory, a maiden event at Belmont on September 13.

Crasher was a strong, well made colt, but for all his physical equipment he usually did not have much early speed. Perhaps his best race was in the Belmont Futurity of September 28. He was banged about in the rugged start, but ran among the leaders and at the end

was an improving fourth, 2½ lengths behind Jester, which beat Misty Flight a length. Alhambra beat Crasher a neck for third money, but if the race had been a bit longer than 6½ furlongs the son of Your Host surely would have passed him.

Crasher was the tenth foal of °Ingall, whose first three foals were the good winners Gustaf, Rebuke, and Conflict. He had one win in nine starts, three seconds, a third, and earnings of \$10,770. P. O'B.

CROWN, ch. f., 1955, Mount Marcy—Anchors Ahead, by Man o' War. C. V. Whitney, breeder; Pastorale Stable (Mr. and Mrs. Samuel A. Peck), owner; W. F. Dobbs, trainer. 111

Crown, bred by C. V. Whitney and sold privately to Pastorale Stable, projected herself into the top rank of her division in November with good efforts in the Selima and Marguerite Stakes, her only added-money races.

In the 1¼-mile Selima, Crown moved to the front at the top of the stretch, then held off Guide Line until the last moment, when the latter got up to win by a half-length. A Glitter, a strong favorite, was third, six lengths back, followed by Milady Dares, Big Effort, Hasty Doll, Lopar, Locust Time, and Sweet Mandy.

A week later in the Marguerite, also 1¼ miles, Crown stayed three to four lengths behind Wendasy for six furlongs, began to gain at the quarter-pole and missed victory by a nose. Big Effort was third, seven lengths away. Behind them were Gleaming Star, Carrie Louise, and Fusilade. The record: ten starts, three wins, three seconds, two thirds, \$21,215 earned. D. M. B. III

DALE'S DELIGHT, b. f., 1954, Brookfield—Themesong, by High Time. Shawnee Farm (Mrs. Parker B. Poe), breeder; M. A. Moss, owner; W. H. Bradley, trainer. —

Dale's Delight was purchased for

\$3,700 at the 1955 Keeneland fall sales by Thomas D. Nolan, of Louisville, who operated a stable in partnership with M. A. Moss, of Memphis, Tenn., and the filly raced for them until Nolan's death in 1957.

Dale's Delight won three of four starts in 1956, earning \$6,500, and before she was taken out of action by a popped splint Nolan and Moss turned down \$60,000 for her. She was fired in the spring and turned out for the rest of the season.

In her 3-year-old debut, January 3 at Tropical Park, she was handed the difficult assignment of matching speed with *Gallant Man and Gen. Duke. *Gallant Man made all the pace, beating the Calumet Farm colt by six lengths, and, although Dale's Delight stayed within two lengths of the winner for a half-mile, she fell back steadily thereafter and finished unplaced.

Dale's Delight was a distant third to Lori-El and Pillow Talk in the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Kentucky Oaks; but her best racing was at six furlongs, and on occasion her limit was a bit less. One of her best races was a 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ -furlong event on the turf at Arlington Park. Her opponents were seven older fillies and mares, and she gave weight by the scale to all but one. Carrying 113 pounds, she set all the pace, and at the eighth-pole she had a length lead over the favored Vici Admiral (116). In the last furlong she tired, and Bornastar (116) caught her at the wire to win by a neck. Vici Admiral held third, and behind her were So (116), Marooned (113), the high-weighted Tremor (119), and two others.

She placed twice in stakes in Chicago. Carrying 107 pounds she was a neck behind Bluebilly (3, 106) in the seven-furlong Honeymoon Handicap. Under 115 pounds in the six-furlong Coronet Stakes she was third to Lori-El (121) and Euphony (115), beaten 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths.

The record in 1957: 18 starts, four victories, two seconds, four thirds, and earnings of \$24,775.

J. A.

DANCE CARD, b. f., 1955, Occupyp-Junior Prom, by High Strung. Country Life Farm (John and Joseph Pons), breeder; Carolyn K Stable (Irving Kirschbaum), owner; L. L. Emery, trainer.

Claimed for \$7,500 from Larry S. McPhail's Harford Stable early in 1957, Dance Card took to her new stable in fine fashion, completing the year with three victories, five seconds, one third, and earnings of \$21,157.

Dance Card would be worth her purchase price on breeding alone, in some books. She was a descendant of Remembrance, the ancestress of such top horses as Twenty Grand, Boojum, and Fisherman. This may or may not have influenced Irving Kirschbaum in making his claim. What probably had influenced him was speed, and, as jockey Don Meade once said, "That stuff is dangerous going five miles or five furlongs."

This speed came into evidence on Memorial Day at Garden State Park when Dance Card ran a quarter in :22, a half in :46 $\frac{1}{2}$, and lost by a half-length to Wayward Bird, winner in :58 for five furlongs.

The track was sloppy for the Polly Drummond Stakes, June 5, but Dance Card turned the first quarter in :22 $\frac{1}{2}$ and won by 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths over Stay Smoochie. Her time was :58 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Her only other stakes placing was a third to Sweet Mandy (113) and Kapitor (120) in the six-furlong Mermaid Stakes, in which she was beaten 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths. Carrying 120 pounds over a sloppy track, she ran close to the winner's pace throughout, and was gaining a bit at the end.

P. O'B.

DEADEYE DICK, ch. g., 1955, Devil Diver-Gaymar, by *Pharamond II. Nuckols Brothers, breeders; Robert B. Carroll, owner; R. L. Carroll, trainer.

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Deadeye Dick, winner of New England's biggest race for 2-year-olds, the

Mayflower Stakes at Suffolk Downs, was bought by John H. Clark for \$3,400 at the Keeneland summer sales. Clark broke the youngster and resold him, ready to race, to Robert B. Carroll for \$8,000. The gelding earned \$38,231 for Carroll during his first year of competition.

Racing in New England in May and June, Deadeye Dick earned a portion of the purse in each of his first four starts, capping his efforts with victory in the Bay State Kindergarten Stakes at Suffolk. In this 5½-furlong race Deadeye Dick (117) started slowly but had sufficient late speed to pick up Chalk Talk (111) and Happy Mack (114) and to win in 1:06½. Moving on to Monmouth Park for the Tyro Stakes, Deadeye Dick showed no speed and was unplaced to Bolero U., but the next trip paid dividends. Competing in the Sanford Stakes at Saratoga, Deadeye Dick was second, 2½ lengths behind Louis d'Or, to which he conceded three pounds.

At Belmont Park Deadeye Dick was unplaced to Alhambra and ran a good second to Li'l Fella at seven furlongs,

beaten three lengths. The stable had an eye on the rich Garden State Stakes, but a rather poor showing in a preliminary race was discouraging, and he was returned to Suffolk, where he went after the Mayflower.

Hanging 15 lengths off the pace in the mile-and-70-yard event, Deadeye Dick closed rapidly to have a three-length margin at the finish. The time was 1:46½ on a muddy track. Second and third were Backbone and Dark Tale. The record: 15 starts, four wins, three seconds, three thirds, \$38,231 earned. P. O'B.

DECATHLON, b. c., 1953, Olympia-Dog Blessed, by *Bull Dog. Nuckols Brothers (Charles, Hiram, and Alfred Nuckols), breeders; River Divide Farm (Robert J. Dienst), owner; R. T. Shepp, trainer. ARH 1956. 120

Among horses limited to racing at seven furlongs or less, Decathlon was at the top of the heap in 1956 and 1957. In his last year of competition he won eight of his nine starts and finished second in the other, conceding the winner 28 pounds; he carried 130 pounds or

DECATHLON

DECATHLON, b. c., 1953	Olympia, b., 1946	'Heliopolis	{ Hyperion	{ Gainsborough
			{ Drift	{ Selene
		Miss Dolphin	{ Stimulus	{ Swynford
			{ Tinamou	{ Santa Cruz
	Dog Blessed, br., 1941	'Bull Dog	{ Teddy	{ Ajax
			{ Plucky Liege	{ Rondeau
		Blessed Again	{ Blue Larkspur	{ Spearmint
			{ Clonaslee	{ Concertina
				{ Black Servant
				{ Blossom Time
				{ Orpiment
				{ Bullet Proof

River Divide Farm's Decathlon continued to display outstanding form at six and seven furlongs in 1957, winning eight of nine races. He entered the stud in 1958.



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more in all but one race; and he ran six furlongs in 1:09% or less on six occasions, twice blazing the distance in 1:08%.

By way of synopsis, Decathlon was foaled April 19, 1953, at Hurstland Farm, Midway, Ky. At Keeneland in the summer of 1954 he was sold to Robert J. Dienst, of Columbus, Ohio, president of Beulah Park, probably the world's only Thoroughbred breeder who maintains his stallions and mares at his race track. At Hialeah Park early in 1955 Decathlon thrust a nail into a fore foot. The injury became infected, and surgery followed. Favoring the injured foot, Decathlon developed and maintained a peculiar side-wheeling action which became more pronounced as he picked up speed. Seen head-on, he had the frightening appearance of a dilapidated

Model T roaring down the stretch with its fenders flapping.

As a 2-year-old Decathlon won his first five starts, including the Bay State Kindergarten, Narragansett Nursery, and Tyro Stakes, then gave Needles eight pounds and finished second to him in the seven-furlong Sapling Stakes on an off track. After a series of defeats he won the De Soto and Dade County Handicaps at Tropical Park in December. He set three new track records, 4% furlongs in :52% at Suffolk Downs; five furlongs in :58% at Suffolk Downs; and 5% furlongs in 1:04 at Monmouth Park.

In 1956 Decathlon topped the 3-year-old sprinters, finishing worse than second only twice in 17 starts despite big weight concessions. He equaled four track records, 1:15% for 6% furlongs at Gulfstream Park; 1:09% for six fur-

longs at Rockingham Park; 1:03% (the world record) for 5½ furlongs at Tropical Park; and 1:09% for six furlongs at Tropical.

Decathlon stood a fraction less than 16 hands tall and weighed less than a thousand pounds when he was retired at the end of the 1957 season to stand at Darby Dan Farm, Lexington. "He's not a big horse at all," said Olin Gentry, Darby Dan manager, "but he's well proportioned, well put together. He has good withers, with lots of driving power behind, and a fairly good head for a horse from the "Heliopolis line."

The racing secretaries found Decathlon big enough; they got his weight up to 135 pounds early in 1957. In Tropical Park's New Year's Handicap he carried 133, ran the first quarter in :21%, and finished with his head high and against the bit, equaling for the second time the 1:09% record for six furlongs. Wheatley Stable's Gray Phantom (113) was second, 1¼ lengths back. On January 18 Decathlon bore 135 pounds in the Hialeah Inaugural Handicap and again did the three-quarters of a mile in 1:09%. I Appeal, his closest pursuer, carried 117 pounds.

Shepp then gave his best workman a well deserved vacation. Decathlon returned to duty June 11 in the Oceanport Handicap at Monmouth Park, where the handicapper let him in with 130 pounds. In boisterous appreciation of this kindness, Decathlon ran the quarter in :21%, the half in :43%, with his neck bowed as Hartack vainly attempted to rate him. Itobe (116) challenged at the top of the stretch, but Decathlon, under a hand ride, whirled under the wire in 1:08%, lowering the track record by three-fifths of a second and missing by a fifth the world record then held by Bolero. This was the ninth time Decathlon had broken or equaled a track record.

A month later Decathlon (133), with Dick Lawless up, got his sixth consecutive victory in the Rumson Handicap, opening a four-length lead and coasting

home in 1:09% to best Nahodah (123) by 2½ lengths.

The string was broken in the Bristol Handicap at Narragansett Park on July 24, when Decathlon (134) was beaten a length by Oclirock (106), after an early speed duel with Pine Echo (115), which finished third. The time was 1:10%. It was his only defeat of the year.

On August 19 Decathlon got into a 5½-furlong grass-course race at Atlantic City with only 113 pounds, and he "laughed home" a length ahead of "Tudor Era. On September 21, at the same course, he took up 132 pounds in the seven-furlong Longport Handicap, and turned in the best race of his career. Despite stumbling at the start, he ran the first quarter in :22, the next in :21%. He passed the eighth-pole in 1:08% and was ridden out to win by 1½ lengths from Manteau (3, 113) in 1:21%. Skipper Bill (115) was third, and Star Rover (115), which had established the 1:21% track record two years earlier, was far back in fourth place.

The John Alden Handicap at Suffolk Downs October 5 was the second race of his 1957 campaign in which Decathlon (133) failed to lead at every pole; Craigwood (118) and Pine Echo (113) were ahead of him the first quarter. Decathlon took the lead from Pine Echo at the top of the stretch and opened a 1½-length margin, but the 66-to-1 Lord Jeep (111) surged up on the outside and got a dead heat for first money.

Dienst flew from Columbus to Garden State Park to see his horse run in the Princeton Handicap, his last race, on October 30. "We had planned to run Decathlon twice more," he said, "but I was advised that a little rest before entering stud was the best, so we decided on this race for his grand finale." Decathlon (133) ran with Flight History (116) and Itobe (116) to the far turn before Lawless let out a notch and allowed him to burst into a three-length lead. He made his own pace through the

stretch and won with more ease than the neck margin over Nan's Mink (112) indicated. The time was 1:09%.

A standing ovation greeted Decathlon as he returned to the winner's circle. Rollie Shepp's eyes were moist. "He sure is a running horse; the best I ever had," he said.

K. H.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	16	7	2	1	6	\$ 54,220
1956	3	17	10	5	0	2	119,137
1957	4	9	8	1	0	0	96,173
		42	25	8	1	8	\$269,530

DECIMAL, b. h., 1952, Slide Rule—Granheart, by Granville. Meadowview Farms, Inc. (Mrs. F. Wallis Armstrong), breeder; Edward Seinfeld, owner; H. A. Jerkens, trainer. ARH 1956.

Decimal, one of the country's better sprinters late in 1956, might have done as well in 1957 had not injuries kept him on the sidelines for five months. All of his races in 1957 were at six furlongs.

Unplaced twice in Florida, Decimal opened his New York season on April 6, when *St. Amour II, to which he gave seven pounds, closed fast to beat him a neck at six furlongs. Two weeks later he led all the way to score an easy four-length victory over Viscount and Manotick.

He beat Jutland and Dark Peter on May 11, and on May 18 he carried top weight of 122 pounds in the Wilson Handicap at Jamaica. He was close to Pine Echo (110) for a half-mile, took the lead early in the stretch, but was unable to hold Jovial Jove (117) and Tick Tock (117), losing by about three lengths. Jutland (113), Flying Bird (112), and five others were behind him.

For the Toboggan Handicap, on the Widener Course at Belmont Park on June 17, Decimal was raised two pounds, and Jovial Jove was raised nine pounds to 126. Decimal led all the way, beating Jovial Jove a length, with Gay Warrior

(115) third, another half-length back. Dark Peter (114), Cavort (115), Duc de Fer (124), Jutland (117), and Dancing Feet (3, 108) trailed.

Injuries kept Decimal out of action for more than five months after the Toboggan. In his only other race of the season, the Pilgrim Handicap at Jamaica on November 28, he carried top weight of 124 pounds, led for a half-mile, and was overcome in the stretch by five other horses, finishing unplaced to *St. Amour II (117), Bunny's Babe (108), and Whitley (2, 110).

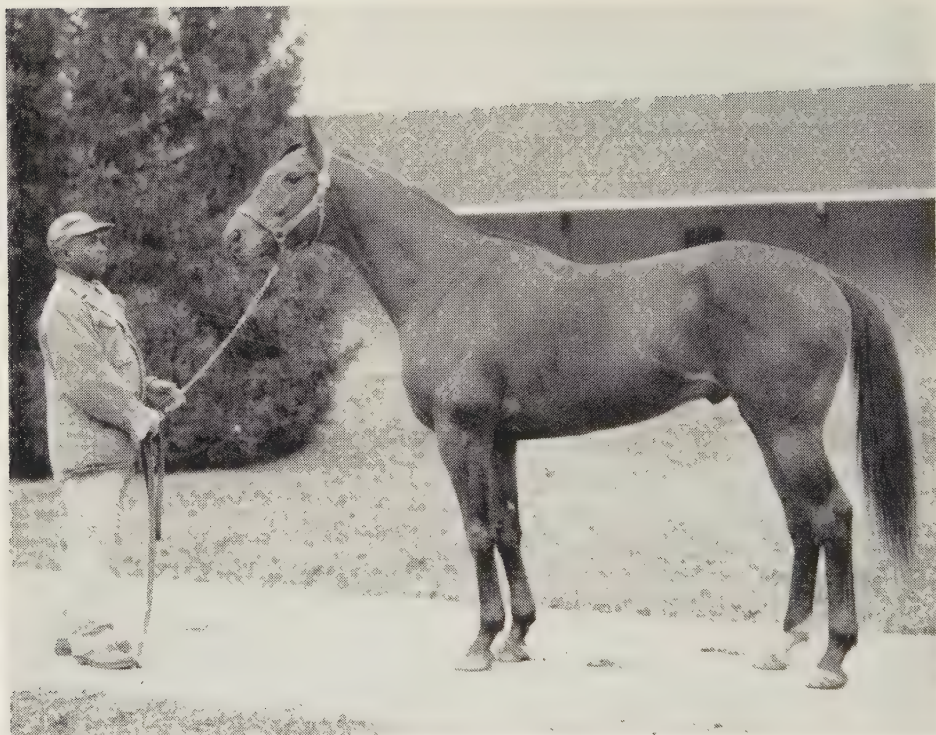
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Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	8	2	1	1	4	\$ 7,525
1955	3	14	2	4	0	8	9,125
1956	4	18	6	6	2	4	48,215
1957	5	8	3	1	1	3	25,350
		48	13	12	4	19	\$90,215

DEDICATE, b. h., 1952, *Princequillo—Dini, by John P. Grier. Mrs. Edward G. Burke, breeder and owner; G. C. Winfrey, trainer. ARH 1956. 129

The leading sire of 1957, with a record one-year total earned by his offspring, was *Princequillo (ARH 1943), first male-line descendant of the great St. Simon ever to head the list of sires in North America. St. Simon, unbeaten on the race course, was the most successful stallion of his time in Europe, and his only rival elsewhere within the last hundred years was Lexington, of Woodburn Farm in Kentucky. The names of both these horses became a part of the woof on which later pedigrees were woven. It is a rare American pedigree in which Lexington does not appear at least half a dozen times, and most non-American horses have several crosses of St. Simon. But the male line of Lexington has virtually disappeared, and that of his British counterpart has been in peril.

There was a period when Galopin, St. Simon, and the sons of St. Simon dominated British breeding to the extent that they headed the list of sires 17 times in



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DEDICATE

DEDICATE, b. h., 1952	°Princequillo, b., 1940	Prince Rose	Rose Prince	{ °Prince Palatine Eglantine
			Indolence	{ Gay Crusader Barrier
	°Cosquilla		Papyrus	{ Tracery Miss Matty
			Quick Thought	{ White Eagle Mindful
	John P. Grier		Whisk Broom II	{ Broomstick Audience
			Wonder	{ Disguise Curiosity
Dini, ch., 1936	Quivira		Display	{ Fair Play °Cicuta
			Careful	{ °Wrack Mindful

21 years, from 1888 through 1908. But male lines, however much they may be prized as such by race horse breeders, have no entity in themselves, and their rise or fall is largely a matter of caprice. If they are subject to generalization at all, it appears that extreme popularity and extreme success are the precursors of sudden decline. The line of Galopin exists today in the home land of the Thoroughbred, not because it persevered there, but because it survived elsewhere.

Last of the St. Simon horses to lead the list of sires in Great Britain and Ireland was the triple crown winner Persimmon, the leader in 1902, 1906, and 1908. From Persimmon to *Prince-quinillo there were numerous perils having little to do with the normal hazards of heredity.

Persimmon's best son probably was *Prince Palatine, a noted distance runner, winner of the St. Leger and Jockey Club Stakes at 1½ miles and the Doncaster Cup and Ascot Gold Cup (twice) at still longer distances. *Prince Palatine was sold for 40,000 pounds sterling, so great was his prestige, and even after he had proved extremely infertile he was sold at 18,000 pounds to go to France. In 1920, after two seasons in France, he was sold to E. F. Simms, of Paris, Ky., for the amazing sum of 25,000 pounds, though he was now 12 years old and had given no indication of improved fertility.

One of the few foals sired in France by *Prince Palatine was Rose Prince, whose dam, Eglantine, was a daughter of two noted French classic winners, Perth, winner of the Derby and Grand Prix, and Rose de Mai, which took the One Thousand Guineas and Oaks equivalents in 1903. Rose Prince was a good runner, but well below classic standards; as a race horse he was best known for his victory, under 115 pounds, in the 2¼-mile Cesarewitch after he had been sold to A. Kingsley Macomber, who was reputed to have brought off a betting coup of of tremendous proportions. He stood in England and in France, always at low fees, and

his only high-class son, foaled in England in 1928, was Prince Rose, bred by the Earl of Durham, who died in the same year. In the dispersal of bloodstock owned by the estate the weanling colt was sold for 260 guineas to the Belgian eye surgeon Dr. H. Coppez.

Dr. Coppez elected to "naturalize" the colt. That is, he made a covenant that Prince Rose would never leave Belgium, except with permission for specific races in other countries. The *quid pro quo* in this commitment was that the horse would be allowed to compete against Belgian-bred horses at level weights, instead of having to carry the six-pound penalty imposed upon imported horses for which no such agreement was made. It was only by special agreement with Belgian authorities that eventually Prince Rose was allowed to leave the country.

Prince Rose became the best runner in the history of the Belgian turf. Except for his first three starts as a 2-year-old, he won all his races there, including the 1½-mile Grand International d'Ostende, in which he defeated the great French filly Pearl Cap. He was not, however, a better runner than Pearl Cap, which later won the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe at Paris, with Prince Rose third. As a 4-year-old in 1932 Prince Rose won four races in Belgium and made his last start at the St. Cloud course in France, where he defeated Taxodium by a neck in the Prix du President de la Republique at 1 9/16 miles.

By way of a coincidence which was to have a profound effect on the later history of the turf, Prince Rose was seen and admired at St. Cloud by L. L. Lawrence, a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer executive in Paris, who later bought the Haras de Cheffreville in northern France and sent a few mares to the horse in Belgium. After Prince Rose had stood five years, 1933-37, in Belgium, Lawrence leased the stallion from Dr. Coppez and moved him to Cheffreville. Near the end of 1941 Andre Chedeville purchased an interest in Prince Rose and moved him to the Haras du Tellier,

where, during the German retreat in August, 1944, he was between the German and American lines for about ten days and was killed in his stall by an American shell.

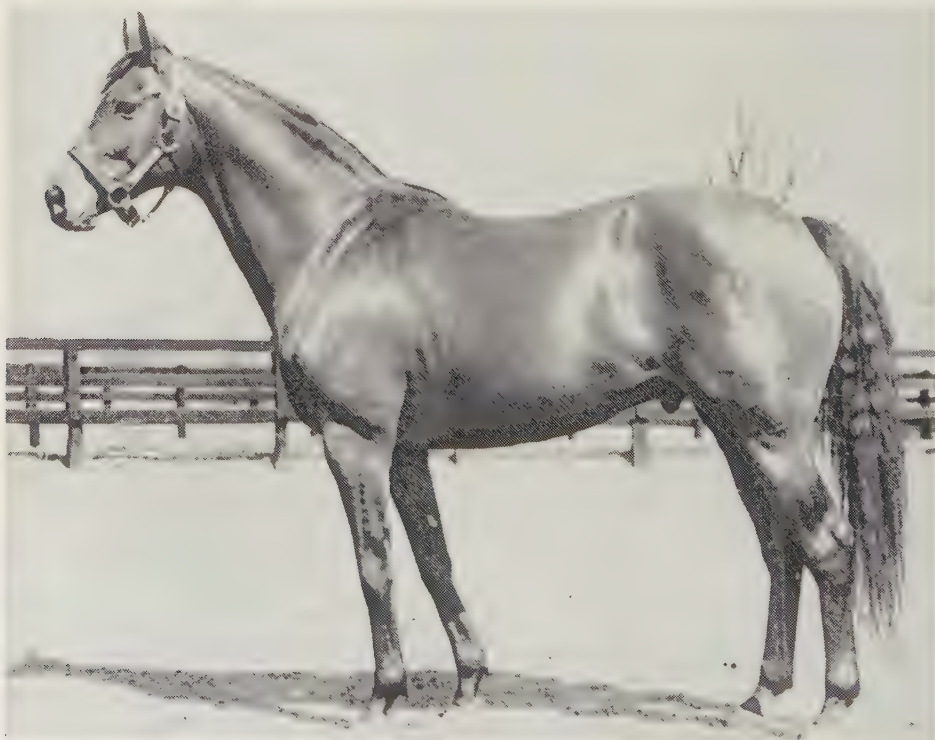
Prince Rose had fathered several very good runners. The best of them were *Princequillo, Prince Bio, and Prince Chevalier, all three of which were to gain further distinction as sires. The first two of these were bred by Laudy Lawrence, who thus established the St. Simon line in the U. S. and refortified it in Europe.

Lawrence had purchased the excellent runner *Cosquilla after she had ended her racing career under the colors of Saturnino J. Unzue, and he sent her to the court of Prince Rose in 1939. Later that year, shortly after the outbreak of World War II, he shipped her across the

Channel, to the Banstead Manor Stud at Newmarket, where *Princequillo was foaled and where the mare was covered by Tai-Yang. *Cosquilla was sent to the U. S. some years later; she had no other foal which gained distinction on the race track.

In the latter part of 1940, after he had been weaned, *Princequillo made a perilous journey across the submarine-infested Atlantic. Like other horses in England, he and his dam had been on restricted rations, and when he arrived in New York, after a stormy passage, he was too scrawny to show much promise. He was broken on Long Island and leased to the late Anthony Pelleteri.

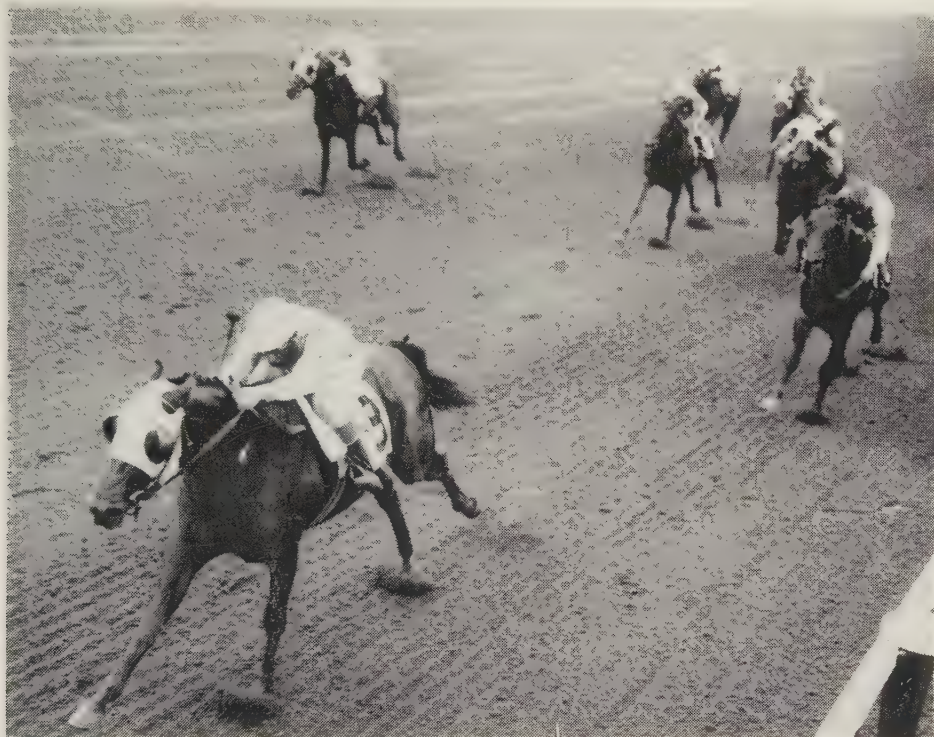
Pelleteri's valuation of the colt was rather precisely indicated by the fact that in his first start, at Empire City on July 23, 1942, he ran with a claiming



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**Princequillo survived a series of long-odds chances to establish the St. Simon line in a place of eminence. His 1957 runners included Dedicate, Round Table, Misty Flight, Third Brother, Sequoia, Dotted Line, Happy Princess, and Kingmaker.*

Dedicate outclassed the field in the Atlantic City Handicap, but was disqualified and placed last. He had covered the 1 3/16 miles in 1:54 $\frac{1}{2}$, which was 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ seconds faster than the track record.



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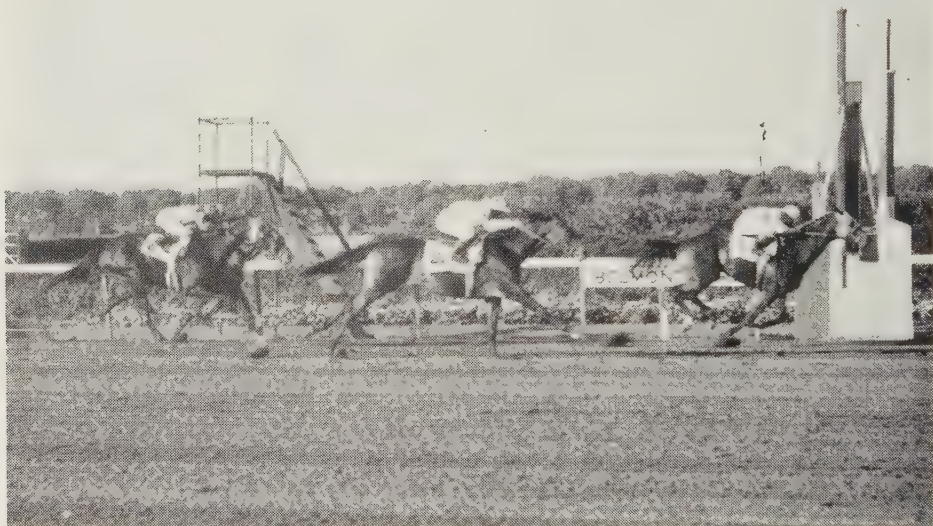
price of \$1,500. At the third attempt he beat a field of maidens at Saratoga and was claimed for \$2,500 by the Boone Hall Stable of Princess Dimitri Djordjadze (Audrey Emery, of Cincinnati), for whom he continued to run, in claiming races until the last start of his 2-year-old season.

In the latter part of 1943, after Count Fleet had been disabled by an injury received in the Belmont Stakes, *Princequillo took a place among the best 3-year-olds of the season, winning the Saratoga Handicap at 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ miles, the Saratoga Cup at 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and the Jockey Club Gold Cup at two miles. The following year he won the Merchants' and Citizens' Handicap, 1 3/16 miles, and the Questionnaire Handicap, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles, in each case carrying top weight. For all his important victories

he was trained by Dave Englander, a horseman as thoroughly international as the horse.

On the race course *Princequillo had shown class and the stamina of his ancestry, but not enough speed to place him in the forefront as a prospective stallion. He went to stud at Ellerslie Farm in Virginia as the joint property of Prince Djordjadze and the late Arthur B. Hancock, at the modest fee of \$250, with return privilege. The mares sent to his court had, for the most part, rather modest credentials, but among those presented to him in 1946, his second year at stud, was C. T. Chenery's Hildene, whose production was to outdo her promise by a wide margin. The result of this mating was Hill Prince (ARH 1949-50-51), a race horse of extreme class, "horse of the year" in

In the Woodward Stakes, at weight for age, Dedicate achieved a significant victory over the top-flight 3-year-olds °Gallant Man and Bold Ruler and the 4-year-old Reneged. He ran the 1¼ miles in 2:01.



Bert and Richard Morgan

1950. In the same crop was Prince Simon, a huge colt which went to England and lost the Two Thousand Guineas by a nose and the Derby by a head.

°Princequillo was moved to Mr. Hancock's Kentucky base of operations, Claiborne Farm, after the 1946 breeding season. He continued to get numerous good runners, among them How, Cherokee Rose, Riverina, Misty Morn, Prince John, and Hill Prince's brothers Prince Hill and Third Brother. In 1956 his offspring earned nearly a million dollars, and in 1957 they put him at the top of the list of sires with an unprecedented one-year total of \$1,698,427.

The expected heritage of middling size, durability, and stamina, plus a less predictable heritage of speed and precocity, came down to the sons and daughters of °Princequillo. His top-flight runners of 1957 were Dedicate, Dotted Line, Happy Princess, Kingmaker, Misty Flight, Round Table, and Third Brother.

Round Table was the year's leading money winner. Sequoia was one of the best three 2-year-old fillies, and Misty Flight was ranked fifth among the 2-year-old colts. Third Brother was among the five or six best runners in the older division. Dedicate was generally considered the best older horse, and in the Thoroughbred Racing Associations' poll of its racing secretaries, the most nearly official of the year-end championship awards, he was not only the best of the division, but "horse of the year."

At the end of his 4-year-old campaign Dedicate had been given 124 pounds in the Blood-Horse Handicap of older horses, even with Bobby Brocato and Nance's Lad. Ranked above him were Swaps, Nashua, Bardstown, Sailor, and Summer Tan. Excluding the strong 3-year-old division, his only rivals in 1957 were Bardstown, Summer Tan, and Swoon's Son, and he met none of these in the course of the year. The growth

on the frog of his off fore foot, and a bruise received in March, continued to complicate his training and racing, but after his first start of 1957 he turned in only one other performance lacking the stamp of a champion. He carried top weight regularly, whenever there were differences in weights, and he was the only older horse which compared favorably with the top-flight 3-year-olds in late-season competition.

Trainer Cary Winfrey was unable to sharpen Dedicate in time for the big races in Florida. His one start there was in a six-furlong test at Hialeah Park on February 15. Against a group of capable sprinters, he went off at odds to 7 to 1 and finished sixth in a field of seven, though only three lengths behind the winner, Admiral Vee, which had a 12-pound weight concession. In his next five races he won once by a nose and lost four times by a total distance of less than a length.

The first of these losses, in the $1\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Bowie Handicap at Bowie on March 16, may have been chargeable to the weather. William Boland, flying from Miami to ride him, was grounded on the way to Baltimore, and Dedicate (124) was put into the hands of Oliver Cutshaw, who had never ridden him before. Cutshaw did his work efficiently, but if Boland's previous experience with the horse carried any advantage at all, his absence was enough to account for the defeat. Dedicate, favorite at 7 to 5, was under wraps for five-eighths, behind the pace of *Rasper II (114), *Akbar Khan (111), and Alibhai Lashes (112), which were to be the last three at the finish. He went to the outside on the turn, took the lead from *Rasper II at the top of the stretch, and was nipped at the last moment by Third Brother (116). Paper Tiger (117) was third, $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths back, and Mr. First (111) fourth. Time, 1:44%.

The \$100,000-added John B. Campbell Memorial Handicap on March 30 provided a re-running of the Bowie, and this time it was the nose of Dedicate (124) which preceded that of Third

Brother (118) across the finish line. Boland still had a stout hold as Dedicate went up to take the lead from Mary's Bubble (112) on the turn. He used his whip in the upper stretch to remind Dedicate that the contest was about to begin, then hand-rode to the finish, holding his mount together just long enough to stand off the late charge of his paternal half-brother.

The others were *Akbar Khan (111), beaten only three-quarters of a length, Paper Tiger (113), Pylades (111), Mary's Bubble, Beam Rider (111), and Mr. First (110). Time for the $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles was 1:44%, a fifth of a second slower than the Bowie Handicap. First money was \$75,150.

Dedicate was 11 to 10 for the Campbell Handicap, but in his next race, the seven-furlong Carter Handicap at Belmont Park on May 30, he was 6.40 to 1, though Frank Kilroe had set the weights as precisely as John P. Turner Jr. had done at Bowie. The Carter is an exceptionally difficult race to win, since it usually draws a large field, and a runner capable of getting the longer distances has to come from behind the best sprinters in training. For the 1957 running Boston Doge was a strong favorite, but he finished last.

Nance's Lad (120) ran the first quarter-mile of the Carter in :22%, with Dedicate (126) in seventh position, about five lengths back. Boland drove to the lead shortly after they had finished a half in :45%, and then went to the rail for the stretch run. Dedicate faltered "right on top of the money" and was beaten a head by the longshot Portersville (111), which was later to win the Brooklyn Handicap. Third, a neck back, was Jutland (112), the Citation—Boat colt which had sold for \$50,000 at Keeneland's yearling sales in 1954. Paper Tiger (116) was another three lengths to the rear, and the others were all far back. the time was 1:23, a second slower than Roseben's track record for seven furlongs.

Dedicate never had won a race at Belmont Park, and at the end of the

spring meeting he appeared in a fair way to remain forever a stranger to the winner's enclosure there. He was beaten for the Metropolitan Handicap on June 8 and the Suburban on July 4.

Carrying 126 pounds in the Metropolitan, Dedicate took the lead from Kingmaker (118) in the upper stretch, lost it to *Tudor Era (114), regained it just inside the eighth-pole, then was outrun and beaten three-quarters of a length by Traffic Judge (118), which did the mile in 1:36. Next at the finish were Greek Spy (114), Tick Tock (116), Tellarian (113), *Tudor Era, and Portersville (114). There were 17 runners.

The nearly equal status of Dedicate and Traffic Judge in the Suburban Handicap was emphasized by the weights, 126 and 124 pounds; by the odds, 4.15 and 4.20 to 1, with Dedicate the favorite; and by the finish. Again Traffic Judge outran everything in the stretch; he caught the pace-making Lofty Peak (118) right on the wire. Dedicate failed to do so, and finished third, beaten a head and a neck. Admiral Vee (117), Riley (120), Kingmaker (115), and Career Boy (122) were next. Third Brother (122) was ninth in the field of 11 runners. Traffic Judge ran the 1¼ miles in 2:02½, and got the last quarter in about :23½. In the last furlong he had swerved out against Dedicate, which was swerving in despite Boland's left-handed whipping. Boland did not claim a foul, but the stewards took 15 minutes before posting the official sign.

Traffic Judge, which was retired after the Suburban, was the last of the older horses capable of giving Dedicate a battle at nearly even weights, so long as Dedicate's sore foot permitted him to run in his best form.

After his series of defeats at Belmont Park, Dedicate won two \$100,000 races in New Jersey by easy margins, but was disqualified in the second of these. Eddie Arcaro, who rode him in the two Jersey races, kept Dedicate (124) under a strong hold just behind the pace of Lofty Peak (117) in the Monmouth

Handicap of July 13, and let him run in the stretch. He won by 3½ lengths from Third Brother (119), with Rockcastle (109), Tick Tock (113), Lofty Peak, Career Boy (119), and three others behind them. (Tick Tock was disqualified from fourth money.) An odds-on choice, Dedicate ran the 1¼ miles in 2:01½, three-fifths slower than the track record. With his weight at 126 pounds, Dedicate was 3 to 5 for the invitational Atlantic City Handicap of August 10. He won it in the same fashion and with the same ease as in the Monmouth Park race, but he had been responsible for some crowding of the field about 3½ furlongs out, and was disqualified from any share of the purse. First money went to *Royal Beacon II (112), the lesser shares to Helfast (112), Third Brother (122), and Admiral Vee (114). Along with first money, Dedicate lost official credit for having lowered the track record by 2% seconds; he ran the 1 3/16 miles in 1:54%.

Two weeks later, at Saratoga, Dedicate (127) put in a poor race for the Saratoga Handicap and was fifth to Reneged (113), Ricci Tavi (116), Career Boy (118), and Riley (114). His usual early speed was lacking, and for the last three furlongs Boland was largely occupied in keeping him from bearing out.

Returned to Belmont Park, Dedicate (126) was appraised at scale weight, along with *Gallant Man (3, 121), for the nine-furlong Nassau County Handicap, run September 18. With Arcaro again in the irons, he turned in one of his finest races, but was caught near the end and beaten a neck by the 3-year-old. A length behind were Reneged (121), which had run in front for a mile, and Tick Tock (113). The other runners, Oh Johnny (111), Third Brother (119), and Beam Rider (108), were much farther back. *Gallant Man's time for the 1¼ miles was 1:47½, a new track record by three-fifths of a second.

In his twelfth and last race over the Belmont Park course Dedicate finally scored his first victory there, and it was

a memorable one, in the \$100,000-added Woodward Stakes at weight for age, on September 28. There were only three other starters, Reneged and the 3-year-olds *Gallant Man and Bold Ruler, the younger horses carrying 120 pounds, the older, 126. *Gallant Man, then presumed to be the best of the 3-year-olds in the East, was the odds-on choice, and Dedicate, with Bill Hartack up, was third in favor at 3.80 to 1.

Hartack kept Dedicate under light restraint, and at the end of a half-mile in :47½ had him in last position, about 6½ lengths behind Reneged, the leader. Every horse in the race was being saved as much as possible for the battle in the homestretch, and when they reached the quarter-pole, after a mile in 1:36, Dedicate was still last, but now only about two lengths behind Bold Ruler, which had taken over the lead. In the next sixteenth Dedicate and *Gallant Man moved up to Bold Ruler and Reneged, and in another sixteenth the oldest horse in the race was half a length in front of the two 3-year-olds. With Hartack whipping left-handed, Dedicate increased his margin to a length and a half over *Gallant Man, which finished two lengths ahead of Bold Ruler and Reneged.

Time for the mile and a quarter was 2:01 and first money was \$70,500. The Woodward Stakes revealed Dedicate at his best, but perhaps no better than in the Nassau County, in which he was beaten. In the Woodward he had kept to the rail; *Gallant Man, as usual, had gone outside the other runners on the turn, and this time he had found himself against an adversary too stout to need a concession of any sort.

Cary Winfrey now set his sights on the two-mile Jockey Club Gold Cup of October 12, but on the Monday before the race Dedicate lost both hind plates in a workout, and he was "sore behind" after a mile-and-a-quarter work on Wednesday. The Gold Cup opportunity was gone, and the 72-year-old trainer aimed next for the Trenton Handicap at Garden State Park. Dedicate galloped to vic-

tory in a three-horse exhibition there on November 2, but five days later he was declared out of the big race because of a bruised right fore foot, and he did not run again.

Actually, he could scarcely walk for several days. The injury was to the foot which had given trouble since his 3-year-old season, and there was no attempt at further training, since it already had been planned to retire him to the stud at his birthplace, Claiborne Farm in Kentucky.

Dedicate's last year on the track was his best in point of earnings and in uniformity of top-flight races. He was, without question, the best of the older horses to last out the 1957 season in the East, and he demonstrated once more what was already obvious, that the best horses of the 1952 crop were an exceptional lot. Early in December the Thoroughbred Racing Associations' board of selection, made up of racing secretaries, named him as champion of the older division and "horse of the year."

J. A. E.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	8	0	0	1	7	\$ 800
1955	3	12	5	1	1	5	83,050
1956	4	11	3	4	2	2	189,850
1957	5	12	4	4	1	3	259,500
		43	12	9	5	17	\$533,200

DELNITA, ch, f., 1955, Requested-Fly-amanita, by Petrose. Reverie Knoll Farm (Freeman Keyes), breeder and owner; Frank Sanders, trainer. 106

Delnita threw in too many poor races to be ranked in the first echelon of 2-year-old fillies, but certainly she was in the second. She was among 40 fillies assigned weight in the Experimental Free Handicap.

She competed ten times in 1957, usually against the best 2-year-old fillies in the Middle West and never at more than six furlongs. Sometimes she ran with the pace, just as often well behind it, perhaps because she had seven dif-

ferent jockeys in her last seven races. Two events in July established her essential value—her defeat of Carrie Louise and Ethel-Rita in a 5½-furlong overnight and her strong second to Poly Hi in the six-furlong Arlington Lassie Stakes. In the first of these, Delnita took the lead from Ethel-Rita after the first quarter-mile and drew away to a 4½-length victory. The time was 1:05% on a good track.

Poly Hi was favored in the Lassie, and Delnita was nearly 7 to 1. The Polynesian filly got the advantage at the break and gradually opened a length lead over Margaretta. Delnita, never more than two lengths away in fourth place, skimmed the rail going into the stretch and momentarily seemed about to overtake the leader. Poly Hi drifted in a bit at mid-stretch, and Delnita was eased to the outside of her. At the finish Poly Hi had a two-length lead, and Delnita was 1¼ lengths ahead of Hasty Doll.

In her only other stakes placing she was third to Hasty Doll and Margaretta, beaten six lengths, in the Princess Pat Stakes. She won three of her ten races, twice second, once third, and earned \$37,940.

J. A.

DISDAINFUL, b. c., 1955, °Royal Sere-nade—°La Veine, by Prince Chevalier, Alberta Ranches, Ltd. (Wilder Ripley, Frank McMahan, Max Bell, John Longden), breeder and owner; Vance Longden, trainer. 114

Disdainful was foaled February 14, 1955, at the Sisil Ranch, Riverside, Calif. His owners and trainer had enough confidence in him to give him his first race in the Cabrillo Stakes at Hollywood Park May 28 against the highly regarded Old Pueblo, which was favored at 1-2.

The first quarter was run in :22, the half turned in :45%, by which time the colt was 12 lengths behind. He finished fourth, ten lengths back of Old Pueblo, whose time for the five furlongs was :57. Father John was second, Cause Why third.

Disdainful then won twice at 5½ furlongs. Carrying 118 pounds, he led all the way to beat Hopper by four lengths in 1:04%. McTavish was third in the field of 10. In the second event, Disdainful again led all the way, winning easily by two lengths in 1:05%.

Off these two races, Disdainful (122) was made a 7-10 favorite in the six-furlong Graduation Stakes at Del Mar July 7. He forced the pace from the outset, never more than a half-length behind Titanium (119). Entering the stretch, he was put in close quarters when Strong Bay (116) ranged up on the outside. Strong Bay went on to win over Titanium, and Circle Lea (122) edged Disdainful out of third place. Two and a half lengths separated the first and fourth horses.

In the six-furlong California Thoroughbred Breeders' Association Sales Stakes August 26, Disdainful was favored at 16-10. He set the pace, shook off Rebel Rob and Titanium entering the stretch, but could not hold Circle Lea, which got up in the last strides to win by a neck. Furyvan was third.

Disdainful tried Old Pueblo again in the six-furlong Del Mar Futurity September 7. He ran a half-mile in :44%, but could not shake Old Pueblo, which took the lead at the eighth-pole and drew away to beat Disdainful by 1½ lengths in 1:09, one-fifth of a second slower than the track record. Strong Bay finished another 3¼ lengths back in third place.

In the six-furlong Los Feliz Stakes at Santa Anita Park December 31, Disdainful was the unplaced favorite, beaten 11 lengths by Swaps Kin. In seven starts, Disdainful won twice, was second twice, and earned \$21,350. A sesamoid fracture halted his career early in 1958.

G. E. W.

DOGOON, dk. b. c., 1952, The Doge—Swoon, by Sweep Like. E. Gay Drake, breeder and owner; A. G. Wilson, trainer. ARH 1956. 116

Dogoon won seven races in 1957, two

Dogoon, Swoon's Son's older brother, equaled a track record, winning Hawthorne's one-mile Chicago Handicap on September 7. Call Me Lucky (light blinkers) was second. Time of the race, run on the turf, was 1:35½.



Hawthorne

each at six furlongs, seven furlongs, and a mile, and one at 1¼ miles. Trainer A. G. (Lex) Wilson as a rule kept the older brother of Swoon's Son away from top-drawer competition.

Wilson's ambitions never overcame his judgment, and he kept the horse out of all but three stakes during the tempting Chicago season. Whenever he ran, however, Dogoon made his presence felt; in only two of his 16 races did he fail to get at least one call, and in ten of his races he was on top at the eighth-pole. In half of his races he was burdened with 120 pounds or more.

Dogoon was unplaced to Munchausen in a division of the Meadowland Handicap and to Flight History in the Clang Handicap, and on September 7 at Hawthorne he won his second consecutive renewal of the one-mile Chicago Handicap, run on the turf. Under 117 pounds, he took the lead at the start, disposed of

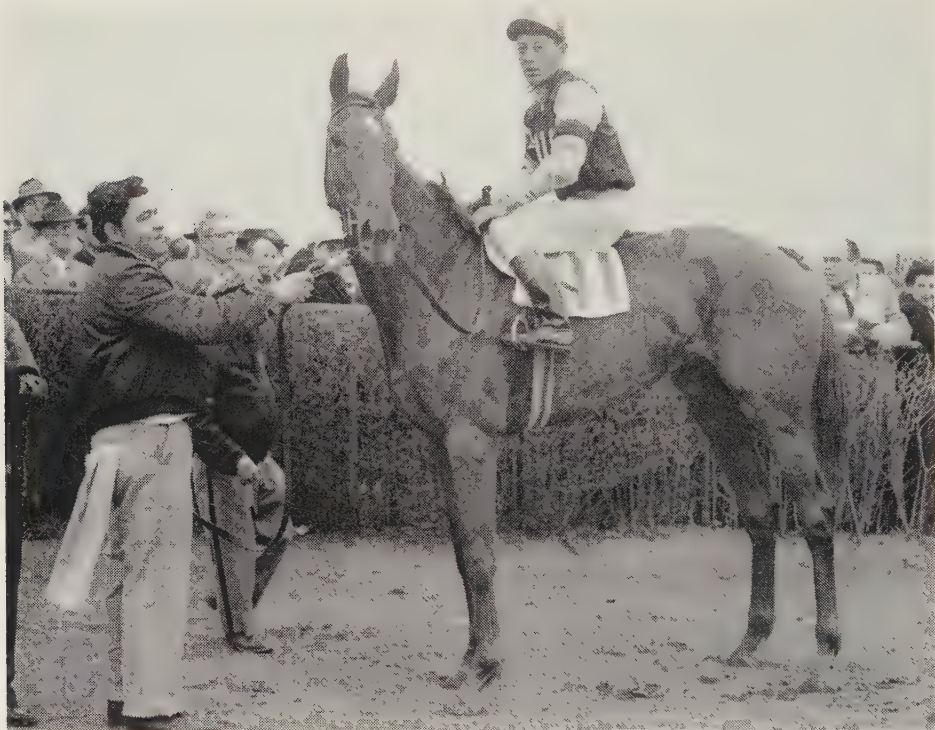
Hoop Band at the eighth-pole, and won by 3½ lengths over Call Me Lucky. Kope's Hope was third, followed by Hoop Ring, *Mahari, and six others. His time, 1:35½, equaled the track record.

Dogoon concluded his season by winning two of three races at Churchill Downs. In the first he equaled the six-furlong track record of 1:09½, carrying 122 pounds to a half-length victory over Larrikin (122). In the second he lowered the 6½-furlong track record by a fifth of a second, carrying 121 pounds and beating Ezgo (112) by three lengths in 1:16.

J. A.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	12	6	2	1	3	\$ 65,955
1955	3	16	7	5	2	2	46,875
1956	4	15	5	3	0	7	45,715
1957	5	16	7	1	0	8	41,965
		59	25	11	3	20	\$200,510

Dotted Line, a 4-year-old daughter of °Princequillo, won the Beverly and Vineland Handicaps in 1957. The jockey here is Dave Gorman.



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DOTTED LINE, b. f., 1953, °Princequillo-Inscribe, by Brazado. King Ranch, breeder and owner; Max Hirsch, trainer. ARH 1956. 111

Three of Dotted Line's four victories in 1957 were away from home base in New York, and one of her excursions allowed her to miss the disastrous fire at the King Ranch barn in Saratoga which claimed her stablemate Here and There.

Dotted Line came around slowly. Her first race after leaving winter quarters at Columbia, S. C., was in the 1½-mile Bellerose Handicap, on May 25 at Jamaica, and she was not up to the distance on training alone. In her next race, a mile affair at Belmont Park on June 7, she closed determinedly to be fifth, about three lengths behind Plotter, the winner in 1:37. Trips to Delaware

Park for the Delaware Handicap and to Monmouth Park for the Molly Pitcher Handicap, netted her nothing more tangible than further seasoning.

When the rest of the stable went to Saratoga, Dotted Line traveled to Chicago, and the trip to Washington Park paid dividends. In a 1¼-mile grass race on July 29 she easily turned back fillies a cut below her own class, and on August 7 she was third to the gelding °Sunningdale at 1 3/16 miles, beaten 2½ lengths at equal weight by the scale. Taking on males in the 1 3/16-mile Arch Ward Memorial Handicap, a grass race on August 17, she got into stride too late to do better than fifth, about six lengths behind Hoop Band (113), to which she gave a pound by the scale.

On August 21 Dotted Line turned in

one of the two best races of her campaign. Carrying 112 pounds for the 1½-mile Beverly Handicap, she came on fast in the stretch to win by 4½ lengths from Lady Swords (108), with Bornastar (110), then rounding into her best form, a head farther back in third place.

Returning to her home stable at Belmont Park, Dotted Line (115) took advantage of jockey John Ruane's five-pound apprentice allowance to beat Nasrina (120) by three-quarters of a length in the excellent time of 1:42½ for 1½ miles.

Dotted Line (115) was at her distance in the 12-furlong Ladies Handicap, but she chose this moment to force a pace. She was third less than two lengths off the leader for most of the trip around the big course, but she was no match for Rare Treat (118), Gay Life (108), and Snow White (113) in the showdown, finishing 2½ lengths off Rare Treat, which was timed in 2:31½.

In Jamaica's 1½-mile Firenze Handicap, both Dotted Line (113) and Gay Life (108) came from behind, but Gay Life had started her drive earlier, and she won by a length. The King Ranch filly again went against males in the 1½-mile Gallant Fox Handicap on November 2 and finished unplaced under 108 pounds, 5½ lengths behind Eddie Schmidt (113), from which she got two pounds by the scale.

Dotted Line (115) turned in one of the best races of her career in the \$50,000-added Vineland Handicap, 1½ miles, at Garden State Park on November 11. For about half the distance she was eight to ten lengths off the pace of Searching (122). She began her rally on the far

turn, taking the long way around to avoid trouble, and straightened away about three lengths off the lead. At the eighth-pole only Romanita (116) and Amoret were ahead of her. She put them away inside the sixteenth-pole and held off Pardala (112) to win by nearly two lengths, with Romanita third.

Twice more she was sent against colts, in the 1½-mile Idlewild Handicap and the 2¼-mile Display Handicap, and neither time was she a factor. P. O'B.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	3	0	0	0	3	\$ 200
1956	3	13	3	2	2	6	69,405
1957	4	17	4	1	1	7	75,295
		33	7	3	3	16	\$144,900

DUC DE FER, br. h., 1951, Spy Song—Lady Waterloo, by *Quatre Bras II. J. W. Rodgers, breeder and owner; Monte Parke, trainer. —

When Duc de Fer paraded postward on a muddy track for the seven-furlong San Carlos Handicap at Santa Anita Park January 26, he had a proud record of having won stakes in each of the four previous years he had raced. A minute and 23½ seconds after the break he had extended the mark to five years.

Duc de Fer (118) for three furlongs ran close to the fast pace of *Poona II (108), took command near the stretch turn, opened a two-length lead at the eighth-pole, and stood off Mister Gus (128) to win by three-quarters of a length. Lassabatt (114) was third.

A month later, on February 27, he beat an even better field in the seven-furlong Christopher J. Fitzgerald Handicap. The track was fast, and Terrang (126) was favored, with Porterhouse (126) and Johnnie Mike (117) second and third choices. Carrying 120 pounds, he forced the pace to mid-stretch, where he took charge and, under pressure, finished 1¼ lengths ahead of Travertine (115), which was a nose in front of Terrang.

In the Santa Barbara Handicap on

	{Hyperion	{Gainsborough
*Alibhai, ch., 1938	{Teresina	{Selene
	{Tracery	
BORNASTAR, dk. b. f., 1953	{Blue Tit	
	{Phalaris	
	{Selene	
*Sickle	{Milkman	
Farmerette, br., 1940	{Cottage Cheese	{Agnes Star

March 6 Duc de Fer attempted to carry his speed for $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles over a fast Santa Anita track, but Pylades (107) won by two and a half lengths, with Terrang (124) second, and Duc de Fer (120) another half-length back in third place. Behind him were Porterhouse (123), Arrogate (118), Social Climber (119), and Cleofosta (108). It was his last placing of the year. In November it was announced that he would be retired to stud at Taylor Hardin's Newstead Farm, Upperville, Va.

Few horses hold their top form as long as had Duc de Fer. At two he took the William Penn Stakes and at three the Myrtlewood, Pageant, Parkway, and Laurel Sprint Handicaps. He won the Interborough Handicap at four, a division of the Oceanport Handicap at five.

G. E. W.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1953	2	3	3	0	0	0	\$ 15,975
1954	3	18	8	2	2	6	82,350
1955	4	20	5	3	3	9	45,525
1956	5	20	4	1	1	14	33,975
1957	6	16	3	0	2	11	47,966
77 23 6 8 40							\$225,791

EDDIE SCHMIDT, b. c., 1953, Count Speed-Paradise, by °Alibhai. Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Burns, breeders; Elobee Farm (Mr. and Mrs. Burns), owner; Col. Frank Carr, trainer. 119

If there were championships by weights in horse racing, as in the prize ring, a tiny terror named Eddie Schmidt probably would rank as the bantam king of the Thoroughbreds. Pound for pound, he must have been 1957's toughest competitor in major stakes racing. Before his 3-year-old campaign he was sent to the farm suffering from anemia, and at the height of his 4-year-old season the delicately-made horse stood under 15 hands and weighed about 900 pounds.

For all his lack of size, Eddie Schmidt possessed a big spirit, and he wound up the year with earnings of \$171,750. In four stakes he was beaten a total of

Count Speed, b., 1943	{Reigh Count	{°Sunreigh
	{Quickly	{°Contessina
EDDIE SCHMIDT, b. c., 1953		{Haste
		{Stephanie
Paradise, b., 1948	{°Alibhai	{Hyperion
		{Teresina
	{Callalou	{Gallant Fox
		{Crackaloo

less than a length. Those near-misses cost him about \$125,000.

Owned and bred by Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Burns, of Beverly Hills and Canoga Park, Eddie Schmidt had something of a military background. Burns, a steamship executive, was a retired colonel in the U. S. Army, and trainer Frank Carr was a retired colonel and former chief of the Remount Division.

Eddie Schmidt did not like people. He preferred to be left alone, and usually managed to achieve this effect by nipping anyone who ventured too close. His only friend was his groom. Eddie was a difficult horse to train, and often had to be cajoled into working. The least upset, in his races or in his works, was likely to throw him off his feed. When he was good, however, he asked no favors. He didn't care whether the track was fast or slow, or whether opponents towered over him, as most of them did. His best races were at $1\frac{1}{4}$ and $1\frac{1}{8}$ miles.

Eddie Schmidt was named for a Beverly Hills tailor. The Burnses once before had a colt of the same name, and he appropriately was by Stitch Again. Before he got to the races, however, he was sold, and the new owners changed his name. Anxious not to disappoint their old friend, Mr. and Mrs. Burns promised to name another horse Eddie Schmidt. They had no more youngsters by Stitch Again, but the tailor was just as happy when his name was bestowed upon a son of Count Speed.

A splint, suffered early in the year, forced Eddie Schmidt to miss the Maturity Stakes at Santa Anita Park, and it was April before he returned to the races at Bay Meadows. In his second

Eddie Schmidt was one of the year's toughest handicap horses despite his small size. He won three stakes, including the Gallant Fox Handicap, placed in four others.



Allen F. Brewer Jr.

start, after being in training 45 days, he came from 12 lengths back at the quarter-pole to miss catching *Eugenio by half a length in a mile race. Colonel Carr estimated that Eddie ran the last quarter in :22%.

From then on Eddie Schmidt's improvement was almost a day-to-day affair. He was second to *Pibe Carlitos in the William P. Kyne Handicap and to Infantry in the Children's Hospital Handicap at Bay Meadows. Moving on to Hollywood Park, Eddie Schmidt finished fifth behind Social Climber and Round Table in the Californian, then scored his first stakes success of the year by whipping the Kerr Stable's entry of Family Album and Lover Boy in the Golden State Breeders Handicap.

Eddie (112) was second to Find (118), beaten half a length, in the

Inglewood Handicap. Off that race, and with nine pounds in his favor, he was installed a favorite over Find (121) in the American Handicap on July 4; but going into the first turn Bobby Brocato slammed into him, and it was either take up or go into the infield.

In the Hollywood Gold Cup, Eddie Schmidt (108) was a well beaten fourth to the younger Round Table (109); but his next race, ten days later, probably was his finest of the season. Benefiting from the light impost of 109 pounds, he and Find (119) made the 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -mile Sunset Handicap one of the season's most exciting events. The two horses engaged each other at the quarter-pole, and with the big gelding nearly obscuring his smaller rival on the rail, they ran nose-and-nose almost to the finish, where Find was first by a head. Porterhouse

(122) was third, nearly four lengths back.

The game little fellow, carrying 122 pounds against an easier field, captured the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile San Diego Handicap at Del Mar, ran fourth to How Now in the Del Mar Handicap, then was sent to Chicago. The competition there was too much for him, and, despite liberal weight concessions from the winners, he was fourth to Swoon's Son in the Bidwill Handicap and to Round Table in the Hawthorne Gold Cup.

Shipped to Jamaica, the son of Count Speed won an overnight handicap over a sloppy track, and a week later took the 1 $\frac{3}{8}$ -mile Gallant Fox Handicap, carrying 113 pounds and beating Beam Rider (109) and Promised Land (3, 114) with a strong rush through the stretch. In the 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ -mile Idlewild Handicap, Eddie Schmidt (120) finished fifth, but only half a length behind the winner, Promised Land (121). Oh Johnny (123) and Third Brother (126) were second and third. After his fifth in Oh Johnny's Display Handicap, Eddie Schmidt was returned to southern California. R. H.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	13	5	0	1	7	\$ 15,700
1956	3	10	2	0	1	7	18,550
1957	4	18	4	5	0	9	171,750
	41	11	5	2	23		\$206,000

EKABA, ch. c., 1954, Volcanic-Charlese, by Unbreakable. S. Bryant Ott, breeder; Agoura Stock Farm (James Johnston), owner; Jimmy Wallace, trainer.

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One of the two or three best grass horses ever to appear in Chicago was Walmac Farm's Volcanic. Beginning in his 4-year-old season of 1949, Volcanic captured the Meadowland Handicap three consecutive years. From his first crop of foals came Ekaba.

Bryant Ott, Ekaba's breeder, sold him privately in mid-summer, 1957, to James Johnston's Agoura Stock Farm, which had shipped to Chicago from California

during the Arlington Park meeting, had lost most of its horses to haltermen, and was building up its strength.

His new owner wasted no time running him on the grass. At Washington Park on August 10, Ekaba (113) won by 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths from Better Bee (122) at 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ miles, and ten days later, carrying 113 $\frac{1}{2}$ pounds, he was beaten 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ lengths by Round Table (124) in a betless 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile conditioner for the American Derby. In the Derby Ekaba (120) finished a distant third to Round Table (124) and Iron Liege (126).

The closest Ekaba came to winning a stakes was in the Michigan Mile and One-Sixteenth, run on a muddy track. Ekaba (106) held a length lead at the eighth-pole, but couldn't hold off the charges of My Night Out (111) and Pete's Folly (111).

Ekaba at two won five of 14 races, placed six times, and earned \$16,915. At three, he won three of 18 starts, was second twice, seven times third, and earned \$36,039. J. A.

EL BOLERO, br. c., 1955, Bolero-Imperial Ann, by Bubbling Over. G. A. Hume Jr., breeder; I. R. Salley, owner; Don Herber, trainer. —

On April 27, 1955, the 22-year-old mare Imperial Ann foaled at George A. Hume's place near Lexington the colt which was to be named El Bolero. On October 31 of that year he was sold as a weanling at the Keeneland fall sale to W. P. Little for \$2,000. He was resold to I. R. Salley at the 1956 Keeneland fall sale for \$4,500.

El Bolero was shipped to Arizona to be broken and trained. He made his first start in a 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ -furlong affair at Bay Meadows on March 8, going off at odds of better than 18 to 1. Never far back, he challenged at the head of the stretch and won by 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths with speed in reserve. His second start was in a division of the five-furlong Salinas Stakes at Bay Meadows March 23. Second choice to Aliwar, he had good speed

from the start and after a half-mile, done in :46%, he was a head off the lead. Under energetic handling by jockey R. White he took charge in the last furlong and held off Aliwar to win by 1½ lengths in :59. Cowboy Book was third.

In a five-furlong race at Bay Meadows on May 11 El Bolero picked up 122 pounds and won in a hard drive by half a length over Cowboy Book (116), with Tony's Lemon (108) another three lengths back.

In the five-furlong Haggin Stakes at Hollywood Park on June 11, El Bolero (122) was third, about seven lengths behind the winner, Music Man Fox (116). Father John (119) was second. The time was :57%.

In four starts, El Bolero was first three times and third once, earning \$12,725.

G. E. W.

ELEGANTE, b. c., 1955, De Luxe—Handy Lass, by Sweep All. Wilton Stable (T. L. Wilson and C. T. Houston), breeder and owner; Larry Thompson, trainer. 115

Elegante was given a two-month campaign in 1957, and, although he was not able to win a stakes race, he showed enough to be ranked with the top 20 per cent in the Experimental Free Handicap. He came out in August, and, probably because of his good workouts, he was made a 11-to-5 favorite over other maidens. He was a bit short for six furlongs, losing by a length to Hue and Cry. A week later, in another six-furlong test, he won by six lengths and earned a chance in the Washington Park Futurity.

Alhambra was favored at 7 to 10 in the Futurity. Elegante forced Judge's pace for the first quarter, took over going into the stretch bend, and at the quarter-pole was on top by a length. There he began to weaken, and Jewel's Reward, Alhambra, and Strong Ruler got past him. Elegante finished fourth, 3¾ lengths behind the winner.

Moving to Hawthorne, the front-run-

ning Elegante won by three lengths in a six-furlong number, beating horses a cut below the top performers. Two weeks later, running as an odds-on favorite, Elegante (112) lost by a length, taking third behind Music Man Fox (122) and Melody Mine (119).

In each of his previous races Elegante had been among the pace-setters, but for the six-furlong Hawthorne Juvenile Handicap trainer Larry Thompson used a new tactic. For most of the first half-mile jockey John Heckmann held the colt in sixth place, about five lengths off Alarullah's pace and at Terra Firma's heels. When Terra Firma made his move turning into the stretch, Elegante made his. Alarullah and two others which had been bunched on the lead quickly gave way, leaving Music Man Fox to hold off the challenges. Terra Firma got the advantage inside the eighth-pole, and, although Elegante was gaining, was still in front by a head at the wire. Behind the first two came Music Man Fox, Orbit's Image, First Fa'r, Belleau Chief, Prize Host, Alarullah, Roman Bow, and Melody Mine. Elegante retired for the season, having won two of six races and placed in three others, with earnings of \$16,725.

J. A.

ESPEA, br. c., 1953, Olympia—Brown Biscuit, by Sir Andrew. Dr. Eslie Asbury, breeder; Jaclyn Stable (Dr. Leon Levy), owner; Sidney Jacobs, trainer. 111

Espea's 1957 campaign consisted of four races at Hialeah Park. He won the first time out, going 1¼ miles on the turf course in 1:46 and beating *Song Parade II by two lengths. A week later, on January 26, he finished unplaced to First Served in the 1¼-mile Royal Palm Handicap.

For the 1 3/16-mile Bougainvillea Turf Handicap, Espea was given 115 pounds. There were 17 horses in the race, and it was roughly run. At the top of the stretch horses began bumping and

crowding each other, but Espea was in second place and the trouble was behind him. He got the lead approaching the eighth-pole and outfinished *Sunningdale to win by a head. At one point in the stretch it seemed that Espea would draw away easily, but he no sooner had opened a bit of daylight than *Sunningdale came at him again. Jockey Robert J. Martin, who had ridden the colt in nearly all his races, said it was characteristic of Espea to relax once there was nothing running beside him.

Espea (118) was unplaced to Jabneh (118) and Oligarchy (107) in the 1½-mile Hialeah Turf Handicap, his last race. A half-brother to the stakes winners Lebkuchen, Isa, and Brownian, Espea won eight of 23 starts in his first three seasons, placed seven times, and earned \$64,375. P. O'B.

EVENING TIME, br. f., 1954, Citation-Darby Dunedin, by *Blenheim II. Darby Dan Farm (John W. Galbreath), breeder and owner; Jack Long, trainer. 115

John W. Galbreath bought Darby

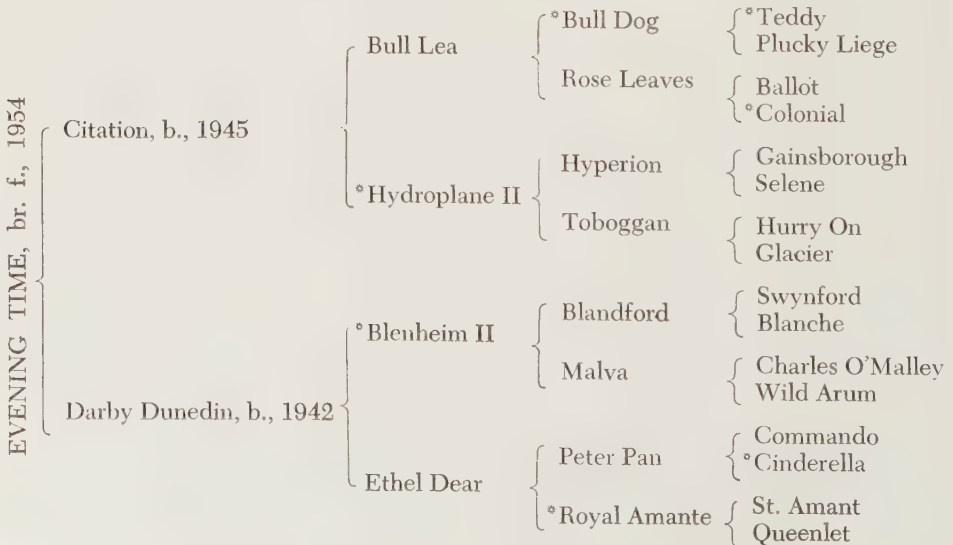
Dunedin, daughter of *Blenheim II and the good winner and producer Ethel Dear, by Peter Pan, from Claiborne Farm's consignment to the 1943 Saratoga-at-Keeneland summer sales. The price was \$6,600. Darby Dunedin earned \$49,665 in a three-year campaign, won the 1946 Columbiana Handicap, and through 1957 had produced the winners of more than \$250,000. Her 1951 foal was Clear Dawn (ARH 1956), which won the Miss Woodford Stakes and the New Castle and Black Helen Handicaps. In 1954 she produced Evening Time, from the second crop by Citation.

Evening Time won two of nine races her first season, was third in the Ran-cocas Stakes, and was given 104 pounds in the Experimental Free Handicap.

In 1957 she met the best of her sex and age. Although her form was in-constant, she ran three races which gave her a rating second to Bayou among 3-year-old fillies in the Blood-Horse Handicap.

For the six-furlong Betsy Ross Stakes the public liked the entry of I Offbeat and I Dot. Evening Time, nearly 13 to 1, ran in sixth place for the first half-mile, about six lengths off I Offbeat's

EVENING TIME



pace. At the head of the stretch she slipped through on the rail, engaged the leader and Marullah, and in the last sixteenth pulled ahead to a 1¼-length victory. Behind Marullah and I Offbeat, second and third, were Light 'n Lovely, Heart's Desire, Mlle. Dianne, Nile Lily, and five others.

The Monmouth Oaks was run at Evening Time's best distance, 1½ miles. The players liked Bayou and Romanita equally well, and Evening Time was nearly 10 to 1. First Mlle. Dianne and then Romanita set the pace, but Evening Time never was more than two lengths away in third place. Romanita took charge entering the stretch, and she and Evening Time had it out to the wire, where the Reverie Knoll Farm filly, receiving four pounds from her challenger, prevailed by a nose. A few strides more and Evening Time would have had her. They were followed by a distinguished field—Market Basket, Here and There, Willamette, Bayou, Look Forward, Mlle. Dianne, Ambulance, and Magic Forest.

Evening Time's last good race was in the 1¼-mile Gazelle Handicap of September 11 at Belmont Park. She had put two bad performances back to back since the Oaks, however, and the players let her go off at 32 to 1. The entry of Outer Space (123) and Hatsu (112), favored at 2 to 1, finished 10th and 11th; the second-choice Snow White (119), 5 to 1, finished seventh; and the third choice, Romanita (121), 6 to 1, was fifth. The winner, Bayou (120), was slightly less than 7 to 1.

Pink Velvet (116) made the pace until they were past the eighth-pole. Evening Time (118), which had run about three lengths back to the stretch turn, tried to seize the advantage when Pink Velvet began to falter; but Bayou, eighth into the stretch, quickly made up the six lengths separating her from Pink Velvet, and put away both fillies inside the sixteenth-pole to win by 1½ lengths. The Darby Dan filly beat Pink Velvet a nose.

Evening Time in 1956 won two of

nine races and earned \$8,225. In 1957 she won two of 15, placed six times, and earned \$44,340. J. A.

EZGO, b. g., 1954, Olympia—Patricia P., by Pilate. Fred W. Hooper, breeder; L. H. Thompson, owner and trainer. 109

Among the horses Fred W. Hooper sold at a paddock auction at Hialeah Park on February 26 were the half-brothers Ezgo and Hoop Band. Owner-trainer Larry Thompson bought Ezgo for \$13,000, Hoop Band went to Mrs. Ada L. Rice for \$39,000. Both were bargains.

Ezgo, which had raced only once in 1956, was a maiden until April 17 at Keeneland, when in his fifth start of the season he scored by 4½ lengths in a six-furlong race in the mud. He was second to Bayou in another dash on April 25. Ezgo won seven other races before year's end, including the St. Louis Derby and the Fairmount Handicap. He finished first in the Spy Song Handicap, but was disqualified and moved to second. Ezgo was a front-runner whose most comfortable distances were six to nine furlongs.

Ezgo was one of Olympia's seven stakes winners in 1957. The dam, Patricia P., raced only at three, when she won one of ten starts and earned \$1,900. The record, including the one race at two: 24 races, eight victories, eight seconds, a third, \$73,324 earned. J. A.

FABIUS, br. c., 1953, Citation—Shameen, by *Royal Minstrel. Calumet Farm (Mrs. Gene Markey), breeder and owner; H. A. Jones, trainer. ARH 120

After numerous experiments with Fabius, trainer Jimmy Jones decided late in the colt's 2-year-old campaign that he couldn't handle mud. Races over off tracks seemed to knock him out for two or three weeks. Nevertheless, and probably against his better judgment, Jones

raced Fabius over a sloppy track in the \$40,000-added Ohio Derby in June of his 3-year-old year, and he was beaten a length by Born Mighty. After several other discouraging races, Jones lamented having started Fabius in the Ohio race. He retired the colt for the year after the Sheridan Handicap in August.

On February 15, 1957, Fabius came out for his season's debut at Hialeah Park. The race was over six furlongs, and Fabius (125) was blocked in the stretch but still managed to finish a close fourth to Admiral Vee (114). He came back in the six-furlong Armed Handicap at Gulfstream Park on March 5, and under 125 pounds beat Singer (113) by half a length in 1:10%.

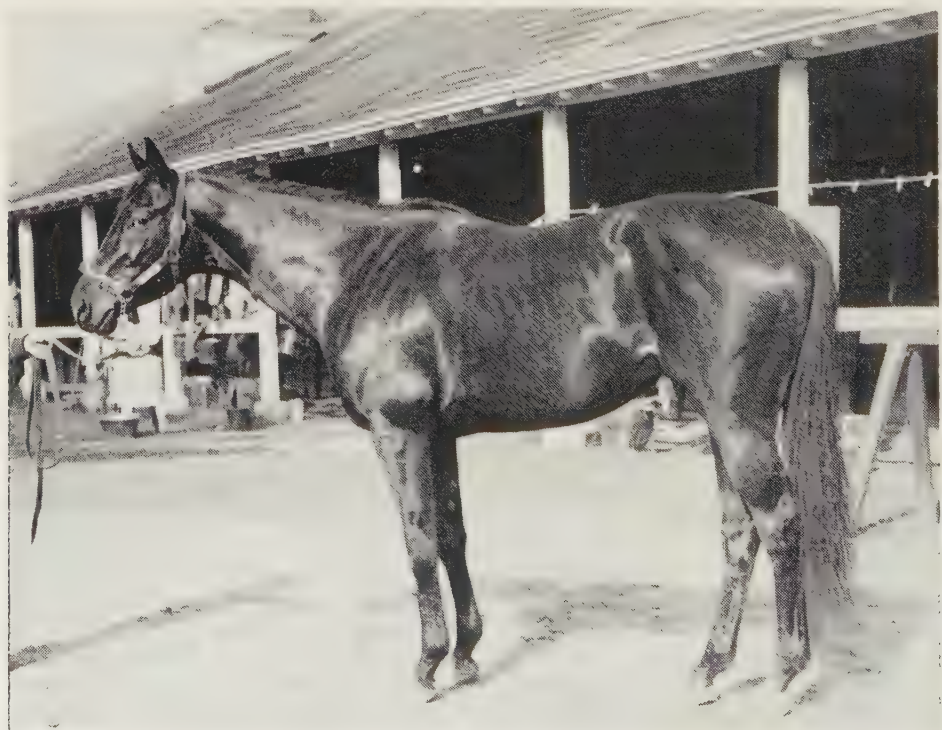
In the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Appleton Handicap on March 16 Fabius (126) ran fourth to Bardstown (130), First Served and Piecesofeight, and a week later he and Bardstown tried the Gulfstream Park

Handicap, which also drew Needles (126).

Fabius (123) was in front by half a length after six furlongs, but the stable apparently elected to win with Bardstown (130). Eddie Arcaro had Fabius well in hand near the end, and Bardstown went by to score by half a length in 2:00%. Needles was third. Fabius never got that close again in a stakes.

Fabius wasn't at all himself in the mile-and-70-yard Valley Forge Handicap at Garden State Park May 4; but the stable could afford it, since this was the day that Iron Liege won the Kentucky Derby.

In eight other races before he closed his season with a six-furlong victory at Tropical Park, only once was he unplaced, in Pucker Up's Washington Park Handicap. In this period he carried weight assignments which averaged 119 pounds, ran creditably from 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs



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Calumet Farm's Fabius did not rank among the leaders of his division at four, but the Citation colt won the Armed Handicap and placed in four other stakes.

to 1½ miles, and only twice was defeated by more than three lengths. He accepted five pounds from Swoon's Son in the seven-furlong Warren Wright Memorial Handicap and finished three lengths behind him in second place. Getting a break of nine pounds, he again was second to Swoon's Son in the Equipoise Mile Handicap, but this time the margin was 6½ lengths.

J. A.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	11	2	3	2	4	\$ 17,715
1956	3	17	6	4	3	4	227,818
1957	4	13	5	2	2	4	63,620
		41	13	9	7	12	\$309,153

FANCIFUL MISS, b. f., 1954, King Dorsett-Hianne, by Jack High. Mrs. J. W. Brown, breeder; J. W. Brown, owner; T. W. Dunn, trainer. 108

Hianne, a daughter of the stakes winner and noted producer Tatanne, was claimed by Mrs. Joe W. Brown for \$2,500 and proved to be a good investment as a broodmare. Fanciful Miss, her sixth foal, was dropped at Mrs. Jack Howard's Rookwood Farm, Lexington, April 21, 1954.

In 1957, prior to the second division of the Honeymoon Stakes at Hollywood Park June 4, Fanciful Miss had been unplaced in three stakes at Santa Anita, had won an overnight race and finished second in two others. In the Honeymoon she was sixth choice, with Market Basket an odds-on favorite. Lealito (110) and *Royal Rasher (112) set a moderate pace. Fanciful Miss (109), in hand to the second turn, moved up steadily thereafter and was up near the end to win by a neck. Her time for the mile was 1:36. *Royal Rasher was second, with Pamper Me (118) third, another neck back. Others in the field of eight included Molly Maid, Ancient Myth and Sweet Land, all with 109.

Fanciful Miss finished third in an allowance race, then was far back in the Hollywood Oaks won by Market Basket. She moved to Belmont Park and easily

won a six-furlong allowance race in 1:10½, carrying 114. Alanesian (115) was second, beaten 3½ lengths, and Recherche (118) third.

In the Distaff Handicap July 20 Fanciful Miss (112) was blocked briefly but ran strongly when clear to be second to Searching (124), beaten a length. Plotter (119) was third in the field of 13. Fanciful Miss (113) was fourth to Plotter (116), Outer Space (3, 112), and Sorceress (104) in the 1½-mile Top Flight Handicap.

Moving to the Fair Grounds, Fanciful Miss finished out the year by winning twice and finishing second twice in four overnight races.

G. E. W.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	11	2	3	2	4	\$ 8,690
1957	3	22	5	4	2	11	33,765
		33	7	7	4	15	\$42,455

FATHER JOHN, b. c., 1955, Be Sure Now-*Astrida, by Court Martial. N. S. McCarthy, breeder and owner; W. B. Finnegan, trainer. —

In six starts before he was put away for the season in July, Father John placed in two stakes, won two other races, and never finished worse than third.

In his first two races at Santa Anita Park, he was second to Royal Tempter and third to Revada and Sully's Secret. He broke his maiden April 18 in a five-furlong race on a muddy track at Bay Meadows, beating nine others easily in :59½.

On May 18 at Hollywood Park, Father John won a five-furlong allowance race by a half-length over Cause Why, once described by owner Rex C. Ellsworth as "the fastest horse we ever had." The time was :57½.

In the five-furlong Cabrillo Stakes, for California-bred 2-year-olds, Father John ran within two lengths of Old Pueblo to the eighth-pole, where Old Pueblo began to draw away to a six-length victory in :57. Behind the leaders

came Cause Why, Disdainful, Times Ace, Orbit's Image, and three others.

Father John (119) made the pace for three furlongs of the Haggin Stakes on June 11, but could not hold off Music Man Fox (116), which won by $3\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in :57%. El Bolero (122) was another $3\frac{1}{4}$ lengths back in third place, followed by Royal Clipper (122), Lucky H. L. (119), and Beau Madison (119).

In six starts, Father John won twice, was second three times and third once, earning \$15,350. G. E. W.

FEDERAL HILL, br. c., 1954, Cosmic Bomb-Ariel Beauty, by Ariel. Clifford Lussy, breeder and owner; Milton Rieser, trainer. ARH 1956. 122

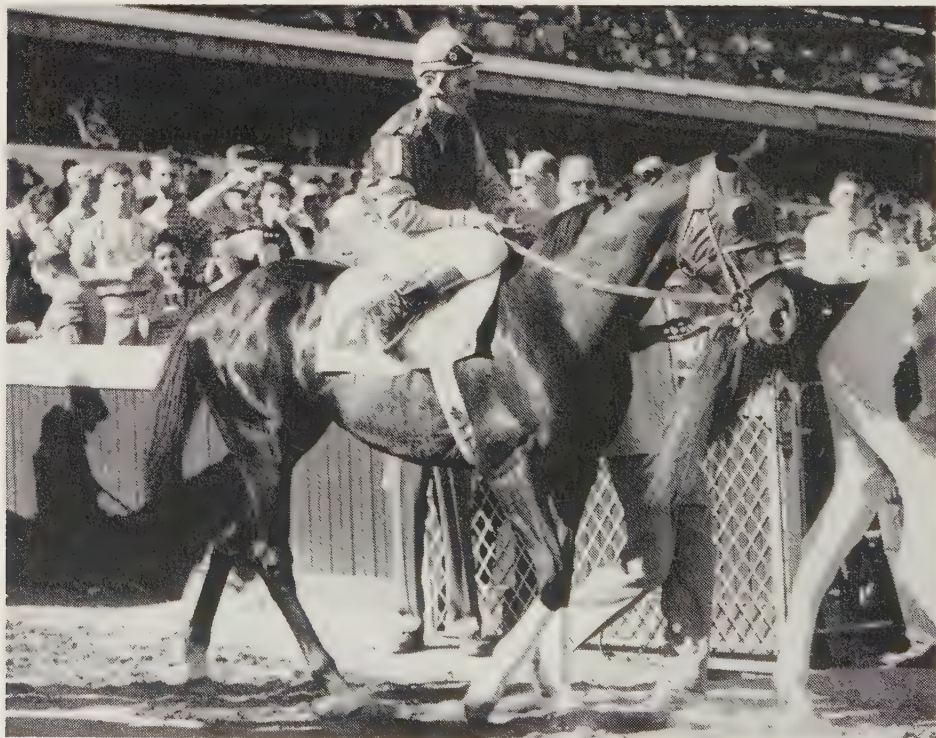
That Federal Hill had speed no one doubted. He had shown this essential

as a 2-year-old, when he won seven of 13 starts and earned \$155,202, a pretty sum for a colt which had been dropped into a \$7,000 claimer for his first start.

The question in 1957 was how far Federal Hill could run. As a 2-year-old he had finished a nose behind Barbizon in the $1\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Garden State Stakes. On the other hand, the Ariel strain in the pedigree raised a question as to the classic distances.

Federal Hill in 1957 won the Louisiana Derby at $1\frac{1}{8}$ miles, from a so-so field. He set a new world record of 1:15 for $6\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs at Gulfstream Park, but he was unplaced in the $1\frac{1}{8}$ -mile Flamingo Stakes and in the Florida Derby at the same distance. And he failed in the sterner Kentucky Derby at $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles. He was a miler, and among the best.

To those Louisville enthusiasts who



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Federal Hill, taken on the track by jockey Bill Carstens for the Derby Trial, in which he beat Gen. Duke by $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths, was one of the fastest 3-year-olds in training at distances up to nine furlongs.

Cosmic Bomb, dk. b., 1944	*Pharamond II	{ Phalaris
	Banish Fear	{ Selene
FEDERAL HILL, br. c., 1954	Ariel	{ Blue Larkspur
		{ Herodiade
Ariel Beauty, ch., 1944	Big Beauty	{ Eternal
		{ Adana
		{ Man o' War
		{ Golden Haze

were rooting for their first home-town Derby victory since Old Rosebud's in 1914, Federal Hill gave hope, scoring in the mile Derby Trial by 2½ lengths over a sore-footed Gen. Duke, which was a neck in advance of Better Bee.

Federal Hill ran fifth in the Derby, beaten seven lengths. He had set the pace for better than three-quarters of a mile, but at no time was he more than two lengths in front, and at no time after the first half-mile did he seem to be running easily.

The stable, however, determined to try again, this time in the 1 3/16-mile Preakness. It was his final start of the year, and he was unplaced, only briefly showing the speed of which he was capable. It was discovered that his left fore leg was troubling him, and he was retired for the remainder of the season.

J. A.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	13	7	3	2	1	\$155,202
1957	3	11	3	1	1	6	57,375
		24	10	4	3	7	\$212,577

FIELD OF HONOR, dk. gr. c., 1954, Blue Swords—Lucky Shamrock, by °Sherab. J. E. Mitchell, breeder; Mrs. Jan Burke, owner; G. Carey Winfrey, trainer. 114

Trainer George Carey Winfrey was never a man to rush with a horse. He could wait until the time was right. Field of Honor raced twice in November of his 2-year-old season, and broke his maiden on April 20, in his second start at three. In the next four months he won

four other races and was never unplaced in seven starts.

After his first success Field of Honor won two other races, each time moving up in class. Attica finally turned him back in a mile race on June 1 at Belmont Park.

Traveling to Delaware Park for the 1½-mile Leonard Richards Stakes, Field of Honor (114) raced close to the pace, gained the lead from °Lucky Dip (119) in the stretch, then lost it again in the final yards to be beaten a neck. Time on a sloppy track was 1:51½. Returned to New York, Field of Honor won twice more, beating Mustato 3½ lengths at a mile and Pertshire by four lengths at 1¼ miles.

In the Travers Stakes, 1¼ miles at Saratoga on August 17, Field of Honor encountered the best horses he had faced all year. He ran in third place throughout, after six furlongs was only a length off the pace, but lost ground through the stretch as °Gallant Man and Bureaucracy waged a fierce fight to the wire. °Gallant Man won by a half-length, and Bureaucracy was seven lengths in front of Field of Honor. Winfrey put away the colt with five victories in 11 races, including the two starts in 1956, and earnings of \$28,075.

P. O'B.

FIND, b. g., 1950, Discovery—Stellar Role, by Bimelech. A. G. Vanderbilt, breeder and owner; W. C. Winfrey, trainer. ARH 1953, 1956. 123

Early in the spring of 1957 trainer Bill Winfrey, returning to competition on an extensive scale with the stable of Alfred Vanderbilt, picked Hollywood Park as a likely spot to resume operations. Winfrey reasoned that his 2-year-olds would have ample opportunities to develop at Hollywood and that his 7-year-old gelding Find might encounter fairly soft competition in the handicap ranks.

Winfrey could not have figured better if he had used a crystal ball. His 2-

year-olds did all right, and Find won four stakes. The stylish-looking bay opened the meeting with a surprise victory in the Premiere Handicap at six furlongs, and closed it with a triumph in the Sunset Handicap at 13 furlongs. Between these two conquests, he won the Inglewood and American Handicaps and was third in the Californian and Gold Cup Handicaps.

Vanderbilt and Winfrey, one of the most popular owner-trainer combinations in racing, decided upon an eastern foray for their consistently good gelding after the close of Hollywood. Find started five more times at five different tracks in the Mid-west and East before closing his 1957 campaign by going unplaced for the first time in 21 consecutive races—in the 1½-mile Gallant Fox Handicap.

In most of his races Find was the oldest horse in the field. Winfrey's answer to this was that he had neglected to tell Find how old he was. In the six-furlong Premiere, with 123 pounds up, he came out of the gate fast, and was in third place down the backstretch as Flight History (113) and Coverit (108), staging a suicidal duel, covered the first quarter in :21½ and the half in :44½. Find bounded into the lead at the three-sixteenths-pole and fought off the closing rush of Social Climber (118) and Porterhouse (124) to win by three-quarters of a length in 1:09.

Find's next victory was in the 1¼-mile Inglewood Handicap, in which only five horses started. Carrying 118 pounds, he followed the pace of Bobby Brocato (123) to the far turn, then put away the leader and opened a three-length lead at the top of the stretch. *The Pie King (107) made a bid and fell back. Eddie Schmidt (112), closing with his customary courage, chopped away at Find's lead with every stride, and was only half a length away at the wire. The time was 1:40½.

Find, under 121 pounds, scored his

easiest victory of the season in the nine-furlong American Handicap on July 4. After following a slow pace around the first turn, jockey Ralph Neves clucked and Find took off. Bobby Brocato (120) was alongside at the half-mile-pole, then dropped out of it. Around the far turn Hoop Band (110) battled to within half a length of the lead, but Find drew away again to win by 1¼ lengths in 1:48.

From a standpoint of conditioning and strategy, Find's triumph in the 1½-mile Sunset Handicap was the sweetest victory of the year for trainer Winfrey. The horse which had achieved a reputation as one of the country's best milers came from off the pace to win by inches from Eddie Schmidt, which was getting ten pounds, in the most exciting finish of the Hollywood Park season.

Find (119) was rated in third place until mid-way in the far turn, where he, Eddie Schmidt (109), and Porterhouse (119) all made their bids. They turned into the stretch with Find and Eddie Schmidt nearly two lengths in front of Porterhouse. In mid-stretch Eddie Schmidt drifted out slightly as Find came in. They bumped, then went under the wire just as they had reached the top of the stretch—Find still in front by inches.

The bumping appeared to be about 50-50, and that's the way it looked to stewards when they viewed movies of the race. After a long wait Find was declared the winner. Time, 2:40. It was Find's last victory of the year.

After a brief vacation at Del Mar he went to Chicago, where he finished second to Pucker Up in the Washington Park Handicap. He hung on tenaciously—and undoubtedly took a lot out of Round Table—before dropping back to third in the United Nations Handicap at Atlantic City. Returned to Chicago for the Hawthorne Gold Cup, Find (119) was third to Round Table (3, 121) and Swoon's Son (128). At Woodbine he was third to Spinney in the Canadian Championship. After his defeat in the

Gallant Fox, Find was sent to Sagamore Farm in Maryland for a brief rest before departing again for California and the winter season at Santa Anita. R. H.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1952	2	—	—	—	—	—	\$ —————
1953	3	14	9	2	2	1	125,379
1954	4	18	3	3	2	10	92,350
1955	5	—	—	—	—	—	—————
1956	6	22	3	8	8	3	204,075
1957	7	12	4	1	6	1	234,550
		—	—	—	—	—	—————
		66	19	14	18	15	\$656,354

FLEET FEET, b. c., 1955, Fleeting Star—Miss Tech, by *Sickle. Ned W. Brent, breeder and owner; Mackenzie Miller, trainer. 114

Fleet Feet raced only three times in 1957, but his performances indicated that he might rank among the better colts of his age at three, particularly at the shorter distances. His debut was delayed until August 17 because of bucked shins and coughing. He won his first start, a 5½-furlong maiden race at Saratoga, by six lengths. A week later he beat Longboss, Nance's Rule, and eight others in a six-furlong race, sprinting to a length lead in the first quarter and holding the margin to the end.

Fleet Feet's last start was in a six-furlong race at Belmont Park on September 6. He took a quick lead, shook off Yemen after a half-mile, and began to draw out. In the last furlong he weakened suddenly, and Nadir got up to win by a head. Uncle Ralph was third, three lengths back, followed by Misty Flight, Yemen, My Mandolin, *Grey Monarch, and Merry Lark. Since Fleet Feet had bucked his shins again and popped a splint during the race, it seemed reasonable when he was rated within 11 pounds of Nadir in the Experimental Free Handicap. The record: three starts, two wins, one second, earnings of \$6,205. D. M. B III

FLEET NASRULLAH, dk. b. c., 1955, by *Nasrullah—Happy Go Fleet, by Count Fleet. Mrs. J. D. Hertz, breeder and owner; M. E. Millerick, trainer. 117

Fleet Nasrullah began his racing career with as many assets as a 2-year-old could have. A handsome, well proportioned colt standing 16:3 and weighing nearly 1,200 pounds, Fleet Nasrullah had the looks of a champion and the breeding to match. John D. Hertz, who has owned and bred many fine Thoroughbreds, proclaimed Fleet Nasrullah the grandest prospect he ever had seen, and after the colt had started only twice jockey Johnny Longden, who has been around a while, put in a bid to ride him in the 1958 Kentucky Derby.

The dam, Happy Go Fleet, is a daughter of Draeh, a sister to the Futurity winners Occupy and Occupation. Draeh won seven races, but in the stud she was barren or lost her foal for five consecutive years. When Happy Go Fleet came along in 1950, Hertz was so glad to get a filly that he reserved her for breeding rather than race her. Fleet Nasrullah was her first foal.

Playing up to the magnificent buildup, Fleet Nasrullah opened his competitive career with three easy triumphs. For his first trip to the post, he was installed a 6-5 favorite over a field of promising maidens, and he breezed home by six lengths in :57½ for five furlongs. Nine days later, going 5½ furlongs, he played along the backstretch, gawked at the crowd through most of the homestretch, and ran only under the whip to win by three-quarters of a length in 1:04½.

In the 5½-furlong Westchester Stakes on June 27 Fleet Nasrullah wore blinkers. He was accompanied by a stablemate, Rulership, which also was undefeated at the time, and the entry was backed down to 1-6. Fleet Nasrullah drew away from his field with every stride, reaching the top of the stretch six lengths on top and going under the

wire eight lengths ahead of Rulership in 1:03%. The entry's one-two finish resulted in a minus place pool of \$24,826, largest minus pool in Hollywood Park's history.

The race seemed an ideal conditioner for the Starlet Stakes, and Fleet Nasrullah, by this time hailed as one of the best 2-year-olds ever to race at Hollywood Park, succeeded in frightening all but four others out of the field. Although two of the four, Strong Ruler and Old Pueblo, were undefeated, Fleet Nasrullah was sent to the post a 2-3 favorite.

His first step out of the gate was more of a leap than a stride, and he landed straddle-legged. He quickly collected himself and Longden pushed him to an early lead. He did the first quarter in :21½, went around the turn in :44%. With a quarter-mile to go, Strong Ruler was still at his heels, and it already was evident that the only horse Fleet Nasrullah had succeeded in killing off with such extravagant early speed was himself. As they headed into the stretch, Fleet Nasrullah, spent and weary, was on the rail; Strong Ruler, in the middle of the track, was closing the gap with each stride, and Old Pueblo, beginning at last to answer Eddie Arcaro's whip, was moving up with a mighty rush. Strong Ruler, stung five times with a right-hand whip, began bearing in towards Fleet Nasrullah and the rail. Just inside the furlong-marker, as he was about to take command, Mel Peterson hit Strong Ruler twice more with a right-hand whip. He veered sharply towards the rail, putting Fleet Nasrullah in close quarters.

Longden pulled up frantically and, leaning far out of the saddle, yanked Fleet Nasrullah over the heels of the other colt. Andrew Ferguson, the patrol judge at the furlong-pole, heard a sharp click, like a rifle shot, as Fleet Nasrullah's fore legs struck Strong Ruler's heels. Ferguson expected one of the colts to go down.

Old Pueblo, meanwhile, holding a

straight course down the middle of the track, passed Fleet Nasrullah and got to within a neck of Strong Ruler at the wire. There was little the stewards could do but disqualify Strong Ruler, give the Starlet to Old Pueblo, and move Fleet Nasrullah to second place. Strong Ruler was placed third, behind the horse he had bothered.

Fleet Nasrullah was sent to New York for his fifth and last start of the year, in the Anticipation Purse at Belmont Park. He bumped with Alhambra at the start, swerved to the outside—then gathered himself together only to falter again at the eighth-pole. He finished fourth to Alhambra, Crasher and *Grey Monarch, beaten a bit more than three lengths, and after the race it was discovered that he had bled.

Veterinarians said that he could go on with his training, but Hertz, still of the opinion that Fleet Nasrullah was a grand prospect, decided otherwise. Fleet Nasrullah was sent to Stoner Creek Stud, in Paris, Ky., for a rest. If all went well, he would resume his racing career where he began it—at Hollywood Park in the summer of 1958.

In 1957 he had earned \$38,425 with three victories and a second in five starts.

R. H.

FLIGHT HISTORY, b. g., 1953, Olympia-Heavenly Blue, by Blue Larkspur, Danada Farm (Mr. and Mrs. Daniel F. Rice), breeders; Mrs. Ada L. Rice, owner; J. P. Conway, trainer. —

Possessed of high speed, Flight History usually ran against horses too good for him in the homestretch. At two he was second in the Primer and Hyde Park Stakes, and the next year he was second in the Midwest and Coral Gables Handicaps. It was his usual fortune to burn out making the pace. In 1957 he won one race; it was his first added-money victory.

In the 1½-mile Robert E. Lee Handicap at Tropical Park on January 5, Flight History (115) outdueled Olympia

Blend (108) for the lead, lost it to Gray Phantom (113) at the top of the stretch, and in the last strides yielded second place to Helfast (113).

At Hollywood Park, in the six-furlong Premiere Handicap May 9, Flight History (113) was fourth, two lengths behind the winner, Find (123); Social Climber (118) was second, Porterhouse (124) third. In the seven-furlong Los Angeles Handicap and again in the 5½-furlong Hollywood Express Handicap, Flight History was caught in the stretch and finished second to Porterhouse, which gave him 13 pounds both times. In the six-furlong Lakes and Flowers Handicap, July 22, Flight History (114) held on well to finish third behind Nashville (110) and *El Khobar (116).

At Washington Park, in a division of the six-furlong Meadowland Handicap on a soft turf, he finished seventh, beaten 11 lengths. With this record, he went to the post in the Clang Handicap August 26 at 14.80 to 1 in a field of nine.

Bill Shoemaker broke Flight History (114) on top, then settled him in fourth place, some 2½ lengths behind Dogoon (115) and Craigwood (116). Dogoon dropped out after the first quarter in :22. Entering the stretch, Flight History was about a length back of Craigwood, which gave up after passing the eighth-pole. Iron Liege (121) made a late bid, closing a gap of about three lengths, but he fell short by a neck. *King Bruce II (111) was third. Time for the six furlongs on a fast track was 1:10%. Trailers included Swoon's Son (130), Greek Game (116), Munchausen (115), and Royal Sting (114).

A second to Barbizon in an allowance race at Garden State was the best Flight History could do in his last four starts of 1957.

C. E. W.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	5	2	2	1	0	\$11,950
1956	3	14	4	5	0	5	32,050
1957	4	14	1	3	2	8	37,775
		—	—	—	—	—	—
		33	7	10	3	13	\$81,775

FULCRUM, ch. c., 1955, Spy Song-Fulmar, by *Hairan. Miss Mary V. Fisher, breeder and owner; Jack C. Hodgins, trainer. 112

Fulcrum ranked 17th among 2-year-olds of 1957 in earnings, but 37 of his contemporaries were placed above him in the Experimental Free Handicap. He beat only one of the leaders in his division and his victory over Alhambra appeared to be due as much to a poor ride on Alhambra as it was to Fulcrum's essential class.

Below average in size, Fulcrum raced twice in June, and once each in July, August, September, and October. He won his first race, a 5½-furlong test for maidens, at Arlington Park on July 17, beating Nouredin by six lengths. He was second to Belleau Chief in a six-furlong race at Washington Park on August 24, then closed his Chicago season with a 4½-length victory over Valiant Ship and Nouredin in a six-furlong race on September 2.

Rested for more than a month before the Keeneland fall meeting, Fulcrum appeared a little short in a six-furlong race on October 16, losing to Alliance by a head. Three days later he faced Alhambra and five others in the Breeders' Futurity, seven furlongs and 184 feet (Beard Course).

Rockmoore and Alhambra vied for the lead for the first quarter, with Fulcrum third, eight lengths back. Alhambra put away Rockmoore after three furlongs, and at the quarter-pole he was four lengths in front of Fulcrum. Within a few strides, however, Alhambra weakened, and Fulcrum took the lead at the three-sixteenths-pole. Can Trust closed ground to finish second, but the Spy Song colt had no trouble holding a three-quarter length margin until the finish. No fractions are reported for Beard Course races at Keeneland because of the odd 184 feet, but one clocker said he had caught Alhambra in :21%, :44, and :56. Fulcrum's time was 1:26%, four-fifths of a second slower

than the track record. The record: seven starts, three wins, three seconds, \$44,089 earned.

D. M. B. III

***GALLANT MAN, b. c., 1954, Migoli-
*Majideh, by *Mahmoud. Aga Khan
and Prince Aly Khan, breeders (in
Ireland); Ralph Lowe, owner; John A.
Nerud, trainer. 129**

The most intensive study of Thoroughbred pedigrees is made by dedicated mystics who accept the ancestry of the most distinguished horses as the source material from which eventually they hope to discover, in some blinding flash of insight, the pattern by which the cloth of success must be cut. The nearly certain end of all such studies, so long as they remain uncontrolled by parallel study of the origins of horses which fail to gain distinction, is error—perhaps the most expensive error attainable in any field of sport.

Fundamental to the classical dogma of race horse breeding, and to all the heretical departures from the main body of doctrine, is the format in which pedigrees have been studied. Pedigrees give genealogy, and nothing else, except that sometimes they give the color and birth-year for the nearer ancestors. Even the colors and dates have been seized upon for scrutiny and have become the basis for high and mighty edifices of error, but in the main it is the names which draw attention.

Breeders of race horses, being no less mystic than other mortals, tend to become worshipers of names and of patterns in names. Certain horses whose names appear frequently in the pedigrees of good horses become demi-gods. Sometimes it becomes an article of faith that nothing descended from Hyperion, for instance, can be quite worthless, and faith of this sort may be fortified, rather than confounded, by its obvious absurdity.

Preoccupation with magic names eventually would subside, perhaps, if the format of pedigrees were changed in

such a way as to allow a measure of each ancestor's merit as a race horse and of the collective merit of its progeny, since these are the only measures upon which any reliable estimate of probability has been founded.

Genetics is essentially a game of chance, and good race horses, like good men, frequently come from what the mystics and the mathematicians as well would consider the most unlikely sources. Thus it was a rather amazing circumstance that all the leading 3-year-olds of 1957 should have risen from the most likely origins. *Gallant Man, Bold Ruler, Round Table, Gen. Duke, and Iron Liege were all from sires and dams whose individual excellence already had been established on the race course. Except for *Gallant Man, their sires had already attained fame through the success of earlier offspring. Without exception, their dams were high-class race mares. The sources of their excellence were apparent in the first generation of ancestors, without further reference to genealogy or numerology. It is not often, of course, that the actual results fall in so neatly with the highest probabilities.

The pedigree of *Gallant Man was enough to charm either the mystic or the mathematician. Every ancestor, male or female, in the first three generations was a runner of very high class. Among the 15 males (counting Gainsborough and Blandford once) in the first four generations, seven had won the Derby at Epsom—Bois Roussel, *Mahmoud, *Bahram, *Blenheim II, Spearmint, Gainsborough, and Sunstar. *Bahram and Gainsborough had won the triple crown, that is, the Two Thousand Guineas, Derby, and St. Leger; Sunstar, the Two Thousand and Derby; and Louvois, the Two Thousand.

Migoli, *Gallant Man's sire, was second in the Derby and third in the St. Leger, but his 11 victories included the Dewhurst Stakes at 2, the Craven, King Edward VII, Eclipse, and Champion Stakes at 3, and the White Rose Stakes and Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe at 4.

He was by the Derby winner Bois Rous-
 sel, last of the remarkable brood of
 Plucky Liege, and along the distaff line
 he came from a succession of five gen-
 erations of high-class race mares, all
 highly influential in the later develop-
 ment of the breed. The name of Mah
 Mahal, Migoli's second dam, was re-
 peated in the lower half of the pedigree,
 where she appeared as dam of *Mah-
 moud.

*Majideh, *Gallant Man's dam, was a
 wartime winner of the Irish One Thou-
 sand Guineas and Irish Oaks. She and
 her best daughter, the One Thousand
 Guineas, Oaks, and Irish Oaks winner
 *Masaka, were included in a group of
 mares sent from the Aga Khan's studs
 to be sold at Keeneland in the fall of
 1954. *Majideh went to Joe W. Brown
 for \$40,000, though she was then 15
 years old, and *Masaka to John S.
 Phipps for \$105,000, though she was
 barren. The second dam, Qurrat-al-Ain,
 was the second-best filly of her year in
 England at 2 and third-best, after Fair

Isle and Rose of England, at 3. In addi-
 tion to *Majideh, she produced another
 Irish Oaks winner, Queen of Shiraz,
 which became the dam of *Poona II
 (ARH 1955).

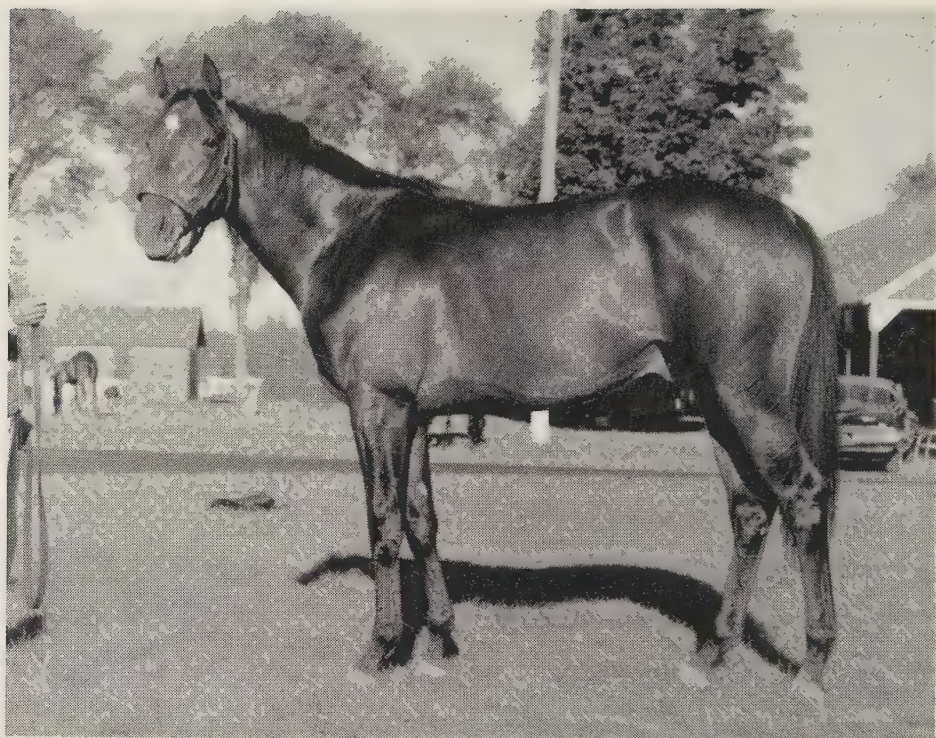
The third dam was Harpsichord, best
 2-year-old filly of 1920 in Ireland, later
 distinguished as the dam of *Royal Min-
 streel and *Hairan, as well as of Qurrat-
 al-Ain, which the Aga Khan bought in
 1928 for 12,500 guineas, then the second-
 highest price ever paid for a yearling
 filly in the British Isles. The Aga Khan,
 then in the early stages of laying the
 foundations of a Thoroughbred empire,
 gave her an Arabic name suited to her
 conformation and beauty, and prophetic
 of things to come: Qurrat-al-Ain, "Apple
 of My Eye."

Ancestry of this sort carries with it
 the highest probabilities the race horse
 breeder is licensed to hope for—though
 hope is rarely confined to the boundaries
 set forth in the license. But even the
 highest genetic probabilities fall short of
 certainty; given the very best of cre-



Bert and Richard Morgan

*In the Nassau County Handicap, his fifth victory in succession, *Gallant Man defeated Dedicate (blinkers) at equal weight by the scale, lowering Belmont Park's record for a mile and a furlong to 1:47%.*



Allen F. Brewer Jr.

*GALLANT MAN

°GALLANT MAN, b. c., 1954	{	Migoli, gr., 1944	{	Bois Rousse]	{	Vatout	{	Prince Chimay
						Vasthi		
				{	Plucky Liege	{	Spearmint	
						Concertina		
	{	°Mah Iran	{	°Bahram	{	Blandford		
						Friar's Daughter		
			{	Mah Mahal	{	Gainsborough		
						Mumtaz Mahal		
	{	°Majideh, ch., 1939	{	°M Mahmoud	{	°Blenheim II	{	Blandford
								Malva
				{	Mah Mahal	{	Gainsborough	
							Mumtaz Mahal	
			{	Qurrat-al-Ain	{	Buchan	{	Sunstar
								Hamoaze
					{	Harpsichord	{	Louvois
								°Golden Harp

dentials, an untried race horse never has nearly as good a chance of becoming a top-flight performer as a major league outfielder has of getting a hit in any one time at bat. *Gallant Man was the tenth foal of his dam, but only the second of her offspring to gain distinction as a runner.

The late Aga Khan, in the course of his 35 years as owner and breeder of Thoroughbreds in Europe, established so high a reputation for his studs that eventually he had foreign breeders virtually standing in line whenever any of his best stock was offered for sale. The reputation went a notch higher on the first Saturday in May, 1955, when Swaps, son of *Khaled, and Nashua, son of *Nasrullah, were first and second in the Kentucky Derby, for the sires of both of these exceptional colts were bred by the Aga Khan, as were *Alibhai and *Mahmoud, sire and maternal grandsire of Determine, the 1954 Derby winner.

It was by way of coincidence that, on the day Swaps won the Churchill Downs classic, Humphrey S. Finney, president of the Fasig-Tipton Company, was at the Aga Khan's Sheshoon Stud in Ireland, negotiating a purchase which was to make a unique contribution to Derby history two years later.

The head of the big auction firm was able to make the deal because, by a twist of chance, two important persons had become dissatisfied about the same time with the results of their experiences with the auction ring. Major Cyril Hall, manager of the Aga Khan's stud, had written Finney in the spring of 1955 that his employer had decided against sending another draft of yearlings to be sold at Saratoga, but that the best 12 colts in his Irish studs were available for private sale. At the time of the Keeneland meeting in April Finney made a trip to Lexington, and on the train he encountered trainer Willard L. Proctor, who informed him that Ralph Lowe, disappointed with high-priced stock from the auction ring, might be interested in some "unfitted" stock, that is, in year-

lings never submitted to the stuffing and standing which, however debilitating they may be, are prerequisite to high prices from the auction buyer.

A few days later Lowe met Finney in Lexington and said that he had no interest in buying the dozen colts, but that he would like to have about six colts and three fillies. After an exchange of several cables Major Hall offered three fillies, which he specified, and gave Lowe his choice of any six colts among the dozen which he had pre-selected as the best of the crop. Finney took off for Ireland, where he spent about a week studying the colts. The deal was made about April 20, the consideration being about \$220,000 for nine yearlings, but Finney waited upon the arrival of Dr. D. L. Proctor, who reached Sheshoon on May 7 and examined the youngsters. The next day Finney made his selection.

By the consensus of several experienced horsemen *Gallant Man was ranked fourth among the six colts, after *Gray Man, *Bold Nero, and *Royal Clove. Finney questioned *Gallant Man's ankles, which were slightly "round" and "prominent," but the veterinarian passed them as sound. *Gallant Man was smaller than the others, and "quick-looking." Finney thought he might help pay expenses while the better ones were rounding into form. As of the end of 1957, the son of *Majideh had earned substantially more than the purchase price of the entire lot. The others, leaving aside one which broke a shoulder and had to be destroyed, were still promising.

The yearlings were flown to the U. S. and sent by van to Crown Crest Farm at Lexington, arriving there on May 18, ten days after the selection. About two months later they were vanned to Lowe's ranch in west Texas, and after a week's rest they went, still by van, to California, to be broken by Gerald Bloss. Willard Proctor had resigned as trainer of the Lowe Stable by the time they were ready for racing, and Bloss had them

under his direction for the first seven months of 1956, until he became too ill to continue training.

At the Hollywood Park meeting *Gallant Man ran three times, in five-furlong races for maiden colts and geldings. Since the horse-player is not oppressed by too much knowledge of Thoroughbred genealogy, the plain little heir to the blood of heroes went off at 31.60 to 1 the first time out, and finished tenth of 11. Eleven days later, on May 29, he was 75.70 to 1, and finished ninth of 12. On June 13, with A. Rivera up, he took the lead on the turn and won, paying \$99.60 for a \$2 wager. He ran once more at Hollywood Park, on July 11, at odds of nearly 19 to 1, and finished sixth to Golden One in a 5½-furlong test.

It was near the end of July when Lowe gave Bloss a vacation and sent his horses to New York to be trained by John A. Nerud, a Nebraskan about equally well known for his horsemanship and his taste in wearing apparel. Nerud—whose name rhymes with Herod, except that it comes perilously close to being pronounced as one syllable—put the colt in a six-furlong race on the straight Widener Course September 3; he started at better than 60 to 1 and finished ninth, about ten lengths behind the winner, Asgard.

Nerud tried the same distance over the main course on September 13, and this time *Gallant Man ran the three-quarters in 1:10½, taking the lead in the last furlong and winning by three parts of a length from Discernment. The payoff was \$93.90. This was the last of the longshot prices and the first of four victories in succession. In his last start of the year, on December 25 at Tropical Park, *Gallant Man moved up in the last furlong for a narrow decision over Sunday Star, getting six furlongs in 1:11. John Choquette rode him on this occasion, and until he was pawing at the gates of fame.

In his first start of 1957, on January 3, *Gallant Man equaled Tropical Park's

track record of 1:09½ for six furlongs, though he coasted through the last furlong half a dozen lengths ahead of Gen. Duke, which was carrying six pounds less than the winner's 119. This time he was odds-on, since Gen. Duke's class had not yet been revealed. He took the lead from Bolodier (117) and Dale's Delight (111) on the turn, after they had done the first quarter in :22, and there was no challenge in the stretch. Even so, the winner did the last quarter in :24.

Nerud now had ample evidence of *Gallant Man's speed and of the fact that it could be turned on at any stage; in all his later races the speed was reserved for the homestretch. In the six-furlong Hibiscus Stakes at Hialeah Park January 19, his first test in an added-money race, *Gallant Man was nearly five lengths back at the quarter-pole, where Lucky George, Missile, King Hairan, and Federal Hill were cutting one another's throat at the end of a half-mile in :45½. Missile proved the best of this foursome, but *Gallant Man went past all of them in the last eighth to win by a half-length. King Hairan, third, was followed by Lucky George, Federal Hill, and eight others. The time, 1:10, equaled the record for the Hibiscus, set by Relic in 1948.

Among the others was Round Table, and last in the field of 13 was the winner's stablemate *Gray Man, *Noor's half-brother, which Humphrey Finney had described as "an absolute smasher" in May of 1955.

The Hibiscus victory was so impressive that *Gallant Man (123) was a 2.05-to-1 favorite over a powerful field in the seven-furlong Bahamas Stakes of January 30. He gained nothing in the stretch and finished fourth, having remained about seven or eight lengths behind the pace of Bold Ruler (126) all the way. Gen. Duke (114) was a poor second, Federal Hill (126) third, *Ben Lomond (115) fifth. Bold Ruler equaled the 1:22 track record.

Nerud, apparently convinced that he

had been putting *Gallant Man's races too close together, made no attempt on the Flamingo Stakes or Florida Derby. *Gallant Man did not run again until April 6, when he finished fourth to King Hairan, Missile, and Clem in the six-furlong Swift Stakes at Jamaica, beaten less than two lengths.

Two weeks later, in a memorable duel with Bold Ruler for the Wood Memorial, he announced himself a pretender to the throne. Fourth at the end of the first half-mile, about $4\frac{1}{2}$ lengths behind the odds-on favorite, *Gallant Man moved up on the turn and ran the length of the Jamaica stretch with a neck or head advantage over Bold Ruler until the final strides, where the little horse "got a bit limber," as Choquette said, and the big one caught him just in time to get the decision by a nose. Time for the nine furlongs was 1:48 $\frac{1}{2}$, a new track record. Promised Land, third, was six lengths back, followed at wide intervals by Mister Jive, Jocko's Walk, and Tena-cious. The second-choice Ambehaving had been left behind at the start.

At Churchill Downs on May 4 *Gallant Man lost another race by a nose, but this time, according to the stewards, his defeat came about through no fault of his own.

To pilot *Gallant Man in the Kentucky Derby the trainer had engaged the services of Billy Lee Shoemaker, a young man of impeccable skill, judgment, and discretion. A few days before the race Ralph Lowe got a preview of the running; he dreamed that his colt was on the point of winning when Shoemaker rose in the stirrups and began taking him up before the finish line was reached. It was such an unusual dream that he recounted it to Nerud and others; it was so prophetic that it came under the heading of nightmare.

There was plenty of early speed in the field. Shoemaker reined in at once and settled *Gallant Man about eight lengths behind Federal Hill for the run around the club house turn. He made no move until near the end of the backstretch, and from there on *Gallant Man

outran everything else in the field. At the top of the stretch he was outside and just behind Round Table and Bold Ruler, which were close on the heels of Iron Liege and the weakening Federal Hill. Mid-way in the last furlong, just as *Gallant Man came eye to eye with Iron Liege, Shoemaker stood up, then settled down again so quickly that only the sharpest-eyed observers saw his mistake.

Among the sharp-eyed ones were chart-caller Don Fair and the stewards. The officials called for Shoemaker at once, and on the following Monday announced their decision to set him down for 15 days. The jockey had left off riding for less than half a second and had not pulled at the reins. *Gallant Man had not hesitated perceptibly, but, in the opinion of presiding steward Lincoln Plaut, Shoemaker's mistake "undoubtedly cost him the race."

Shoemaker at first disagreed with this judgment. "I rather doubt we'd have won it," he said. But thereafter he took the blame without reservation. *Gallant Man "should have been" the first imported Kentucky Derby winner since *Omar Khayyam in 1917. Lowe and Nerud, accepting the defeat in the full spirit of sportsmanship, offered no criticism, and Shoemaker continued as *Gallant Man's rider the remainder of the season.

The trainer, though insisting that *Gallant Man was altogether sound and sturdy, held to his resolution to avoid putting the colt's races too close together. He left the Preakness to Bold Ruler and Iron Liege, and on June 1 he sent out *Gallant Man as topweight (124 pounds) and odds-on choice in the Peter Pan Handicap at Belmont. Bold Ruler, which had been assigned 125 pounds, did not run. After following the moderate pace of Harmonizing (108) and One-Eyed King (112), *Gallant Man took the lead in the upper stretch and won by $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths from Promised Land (114), with Nah Hiss (113) third in the field of six. The time for the $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles was 1:48 $\frac{1}{2}$, three-fifths slower than the track

record established by Counterpoint in the 1951 running of the Peter Pan.

Shoe's mistake in the Derby had led to an outcry for installation of finish-line markers like those in use on many foreign courses, though the Churchill Downs finish was rather hard to miss. Several tracks promptly hung colored disks at the finish, and Shoemaker brought *Gallant Man to victory in the Peter Pan under a large red-and-white bullseye. He was not visibly disturbed by the memorial to his fallibility; he was happy over *Gallant Man, which he said "never took a long breath."

Two weeks later Shoemaker made virtually the same remark after *Gallant Man had won the Belmont Stakes by eight lengths and set a new American record of 2:26 $\frac{1}{2}$ for a mile and a half, taking a full second off the Belmont Park track record.

None of the other colts bought by Ralph Lowe from the Aga Khan in the spring of 1955 had approached the class of *Gallant Man, but one of them, *Tulyar's brother *Bold Nero, had to be credited with an assist in the Belmont Stakes victory. There were only six runners, and both Bold Ruler and the Lowe entry were odds-on, at 17 to 20 and 19 to 20 respectively. Arcaro had learned, from distressing experience in the Derby, that Bold Ruler would not do his best if submitted to painful early restraint, and the Nerud team made full use of this flaw in the enemy's armor.

Bold Ruler's pace for the first three quarters was :23 $\frac{1}{2}$, :23 $\frac{1}{2}$, and :23 $\frac{1}{2}$. This was a most unhealthy speed for a horse which was expected to carry on for an additional three-quarters of a mile, but Bold Ruler preferred to run in front, and *Bold Nero stayed at his right flank until they had gone about five-eighths of a mile. The effort exhausted *Bold Nero to the point that he was eased up, but it also left Bold Ruler helpless in the stretch.

The Wheatley Stable colt yielded the lead to *Gallant Man at the quarter-pole, after having done the first 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ miles in

2:01 $\frac{1}{2}$. It took him about 27 seconds to get the last quarter, and he finished third, about four lengths behind the second-place Inside Tract. Pop Corn, fourth, was another nine lengths back, and *Lucky Dip fifth. *Gallant Man had enough reserve to run the last quarter in :25 $\frac{1}{2}$, though he had no competition in the final furlong.

At the Saratoga meeting *Gallant Man ran twice, first in a practice race at seven furlongs on August 6, then in the Travers Stakes on August 17. Against five capable sprinters in the preliminary test, and conceding weight all round, he made his run late, won by four lengths from Little Hermit, and paid \$2.70, \$2.60, and \$2.50. For the 88th running of the Travers he had only four adversaries and was 3 to 20 in the straight pool. Carrying 126 pounds, he closed in on the leaders as they rounded the last turn, but there was no quick surrender when he drew even with Bureaucracy (116) at the quarter-pole. Ogden Phipps' colt stayed with him until they were well into the last furlong, then yielded only a half-length margin at the finish. Field of Honor (112), third, was seven lengths back and the early pacemaker Jocko's Walk (112) another seven lengths to the rear. The other runner, Pop Corn (112), had fallen at the start. Time for the 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ miles was 2:04, which was not slow for the Saratoga track in 1957.

Mighty Man, as the grooms called him, profited more from his stay at Saratoga than his reputation did. In his next race, the 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -mile Nassau County Handicap at Belmont Park September 18, he was set against older horses for the first time and turned in a performance which brought a new crescendo in the persistent chant for horse-of-the-year honors. *Gallant Man, the only 3-year-old in the field of seven, carried 121 pounds, equivalent by the scale to Dedicate's 126, and he was favorite at 13 to 20.

Reneged (121) ran the first six furlongs in 1:10, the first mile in 1:34 $\frac{1}{2}$,

**Majideh, dam of *Gallant Man and *Masaka, won the Irish One Thousand Guineas and Irish Oaks in 1942. She was sold to Joe W. Brown for \$40,000 at Keeneland in 1954, when *Masaka brought \$105,000.*



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two-fifths faster than the official track record, with Dedicate in close attendance from the beginning. *Gallant Man, taking advantage of this scorched-horse policy, caught them both in the stretch without having been touched by the whip. He won by a neck from Dedicate, with Reneged a length farther back. Unplaced were Tick Tock (113), Oh Johnny (111), Third Brother (119), and Beam Rider (108).

The time, 1:47 $\frac{1}{2}$, was a new track record, three-fifths of a second faster than the mark established by the 3-year-old Counterpoint, under 114 pounds, in 1951. *Gallant Man now held the 9- and 12-furlong records at Belmont Park and the American record for the longer distance. In the Wood Memorial, beaten a nose by Bold Ruler under equal weights, he had bettered the old track

record for 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ miles at Jamaica by two-fifths of a second. Earlier in the year he had equaled Tropical Park's record for six furlongs. The stop-watch established him as the most versatile of the year's top-flight horses. But in competition with Dedicate he was to get only an even break.

In the 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -mile Woodward Stakes of September 28, a weight-for-age test with \$100,000 added, *Gallant Man was favorite at 13 to 20 over Bold Ruler, Dedicate, and Reneged. Shoemaker waited in third place, about half a dozen lengths behind Reneged and Bold Ruler. These two would come back to him, but Hartack was watching from the rear, expecting Dedicate to outrun the favorite at the crucial moment.

Less than two lengths separated the whole field at the top of the stretch,

and at the junction of the main track with the Widener Course, about three-sixteenths from the finish, the four runners were on almost even terms. *Gallant Man, outside, took the lead from Bold Ruler before they reached the eighth-pole, and lost it at once to Dedicate, which went on to win by a length and a half, with *Gallant Man two lengths ahead of the other two. This time Dedicate had saved his speed, and the ball had bounced in his favor. The time was 2:01.

*Gallant Man and the best of the older horses were to have been tested again at weight for age in the two-mile Jockey Club Gold Cup of October 12, but Dedicate had a sore foot and did not start. Favorite at 3 to 10, *Gallant Man had no serious competition, though he won by only a length from Third Brother and had to be ridden out to keep him from pulling up after getting the lead at the eighth-pole. Eight lengths farther back was Reneged, followed at a great distance by the 3-year-olds Bureaucracy and Jocko's Walk. Time, 3:23—only as fast as necessary.

After his extraordinary performance in the Belmont Stakes, *Gallant Man had been given medication for a heavy infestation of parasites. He was not at his peak again until after his return from Saratoga to Long Island, and John Nerud on October 22 was quoted: "Gallant Man didn't really run his race in either the Woodward or the Gold Cup, and I probably shouldn't have started him in those races. But I'd have been a heel if I hadn't."

By now, however, *Gallant Man appeared to have earned top honors in his division, and he was the leading candidate for the best horse of the year. He might have had these laurels but for the fact that Nerud once more became a "heel" in the name of sportsmanship. As early as August *Gallant Man had been invited to run in the International at Laurel, and in October there was an offer from Caliente of \$100,000 for a race between the Lowe colt and Round Table at a mile and a quarter. As things

turned out, it was the 1¼-mile Trenton Handicap at Garden State Park on November 9, which became the climactic race of the season.

Though the Trenton was open to older horses, it drew only the three leading 3-year-olds to the post. *Gallant Man and Round Table were given equal weight, 124 pounds, and Bold Ruler, which had never won at a mile and a quarter, had two pounds less. The three colts were so evenly matched that the track allowed betting in the place pool without fear of a deficit. *Gallant Man was a slight favorite at 7 to 5.

Shoemaker was in a difficult position: unless Bold Ruler had early competition, he might steal the race, but if *Gallant Man went out to force the pace, Round Table might be expected to overrun both of them in the stretch. The jockey elected to take the chance that Bold Ruler would come back to him. He waited in third place until he was about ten lengths behind the leader near the end of the backstretch, then went up along the rail and raced with Round Table around the turn. At the top of the stretch Bold Ruler's lead had been cut to 3½ lengths. But this time the big horse proved clearly superior to the little one. Bold Ruler, running the ten furlongs on a slippery "good" track in 2:01½, was 2½ lengths in front at the finish, and Round Table was about 8½ lengths behind *Gallant Man, which might have fared better if he had had the assistance of a running mate such as *Bold Nero was in the Belmont Stakes.

The Trenton was *Gallant Man's last race of the season. He went to Hialeah Park, where, late in December, he became sore in the near fore foot. Nerud cut away a small infected area near the wall of the hoof and applied medication. He expected only a brief interruption in training. Retrospectively, he suspected that the infection had been present for about a year, and that it probably accounted for some of the colt's defeats, particularly the two which came after his extraordinary display in the Nassau County Handicap.

In January at Hialeah Park, *Gallant Man had been reported as 15 hands tall at the withers. In August at Saratoga, the standard showed his height as 15:1½. Whether he had grown so much or one of the measuring sticks had erred, he still was a full hand below Bold Ruler's height. His girth, from H. S. Finney's measurement taken at Saratoga, was 70 inches; rein-length, 40 inches; bone (cannon circumference), 8 inches. He was altogether generous in competition, and he had a thoroughly equable temperament, so that he never wore a hood or needed a lead pony. "He has not found the track he can't handle," said Nerud proudly. "He equaled that sprinter Decathlon's time, and he will run a week. I can put him on the lead, or he can come from behind."

When Ralph Lowe made his wholesale purchase from the Aga Khan in 1955 he had hoped to obtain at least one excellent stallion prospect for his growing stud. As Nerud had remarked after the Wood Memorial, "You don't hardly get this kind any more." J. A. E.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	7	3	0	0	4	\$ 7,075
1957	3	14	8	4	0	2	298,200
		—	—	—	—	—	—
		21	11	4	0	6	\$305,275

GAMA, b. c., 1954, War Admiral—Carolina Queen, by *Bull Dog. Cary C. Boshamer, breeder and owner; E. H. Gaines, trainer. —

Gama was no match for the better 3-year-olds of 1957, but on several occasions he gave a good account of himself. His first stakes was the six-furlong Governor's Gold Cup at Bowie, in which he was fifth to Promised Land, beaten 3½ lengths. He then was fourth to Inswept in the Chesapeake Stakes, beaten six lengths, and fifth to *Lucky Dip in the Kent Stakes, beaten nine lengths. In the 1½-mile Leonard Richards Stakes, a week after the Kent, he was third to *Lucky Dip, only 2¼ lengths behind the winner.

In three later added-money events Gama was fourth to Bureaucracy, beaten five lengths, in the Providence Stakes; third to Stratmat, beaten a length, in the first division of the Lamplighter Handicap; and third to Vertex, beaten six lengths, in the Boardwalk Handicap.

D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	12	2	1	1	8	\$ 7,000
1957	3	20	3	2	4	11	26,082
		—	—	—	—	—	—
		32	5	3	5	19	\$33,082

GAY LIFE, b. f., 1953, Eight Thirty—La Chicuela, by *Blenheim II. Blenheim Farms (John S. Phipps), breeder; Morty Freedman, owner; J. H. Skirvin, trainer. —

Persistent was the word for Gay Life. Starting her 1957 campaign in January, Gay Life ran in each of the succeeding months except July. She covered more than 25 miles in competition before taking down the first stakes score of her career in the Firenze at Jamaica on October 26. She carried more than 112 pounds on only three occasions, and she had 108 pounds up when she won the Firenze.

Gay Life defeated some of 1957's best fillies and mares in the 1½-mile Firenze, among them Rare Treat (121), Plotter (119), and Alanesian (3, 114). Her best race, though, was her third to Pucker Up in the Bel dame Handicap at Belmont Park. Coming from far back in a big field, the little filly threaded her way through the crowd to be within a half-length of Pucker Up at the finish of the nine-furlong event. Pucker Up conceded 21 pounds to Gay Life (104) that day, but Gay Life was running faster at the end, and with any sort of a straight course through the field she might have won.

In the Firenze, Gay Life was not allowed to drop too far off the pace. She took the lead from Little Pache (111) high in the stretch and held off Dotted

Line (113) to win by a length in 1:50%.

Her breeding was sound. Her dam was a half-sister to Planetoid, dam of Grey Flight, and to Miyako, granddam of Native Dancer. Gay Life raced 56 times in her first three campaigns, winning six races, placing in 15 others, and earning a total of \$75,035.

P. O'B.

GAY WARRIOR, dk. b. g., 1953, War Jeep—Gay Garland, by *Sir Gallahad III. Maine Chance Farm (Mrs. Elizabeth N. Graham), breeder; W. J. Froelich, owner; F. J. Horan, trainer.

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Gay Warrior ran more than half his 1957 races at metropolitan New York courses, and in allowance and overnight handicap competition he never was more than three lengths off the winner. Such consistency is a racing secretary's delight, but it also is of value to the owner as Gay Warrior's earnings of \$28,425 for the year will attest.

Unraced at two and a maiden until May of his 3-year-old season, Gay Warrior won four races that year and four in 1957, and he placed in a total of 17 other events. In his best two races in 1957 Gay Warrior (117) was third, two lengths off Itobe (124) in the Fall Highweight Handicap, and, carrying 115, he was within a length and a half of Decimal (124) in the Toboggan Handicap. He ran once during the season with a \$20,000 claiming price, but the big sprinter usually kept better company.

In two seasons of racing Gay Warrior won eight of 51 races and earned \$47,790.

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GEN. DUKE, br. c., 1954, Bull Lea—Wistful, by Sun Again. Calumet Farm (Mrs. Gene Markey), breeder and owner; H. A. Jones, trainer. 127

"In a month he'll be back at the races, and then they better look out. All the best of the 3-year-olds will be standin' still, and my horse will look like he's running downhill."

Thus spake Calumet Farm's trainer Jimmy Jones, according to a Q and A report in *Sports Illustrated* of June 24, 1957. It didn't sound like Jimmy, who never made a practice of bragging about how good the Calumet Farm horses were, especially when his utterances were likely to attract the attention of handicappers. But this time Jimmy was reacting to the needle: the reporter had shown him a newspaper clipping which suggested that he had done too much training of Gen. Duke and Iron Liege. The result, perhaps premeditated, certainly understandable, was a state of medium-high dudgeon.

But Jimmy was not talking through his hat. He had reasons.

Among these reasons, though not the most immediate among them, was the parentage of Gen. Duke. The colt was a son of Bull Lea, most successful sire of the century, sire of Armed, Twilight Tear, Durazna, Good Blood, Twosy, Faultless, Citation, Coaltown, Bewitch, Two Lea, Next Move, Alerted, Fleet Bird, Real Delight, Hill Gail, Mark-Ye-Well, Chanlea, Bubbley, Level Lea, Capeador, Miz Clementine, Amoret, Trentonian, Iron Liege, etc., etc. Gen. Duke was also the first foal of one of the best race mares ever to carry the Calumet Farm silks.

Wistful (ARH 1949), was the 1946 foal of Easy Lass, which had produced Coaltown, (ARH 1948-49), the previous year. In 1949 she won the Kentucky Oaks, Pimlico Oaks (Black Eyed Susan Stakes), and Coaching Club American Oaks, distaff counterparts of the Derby-Preakness-Belmont "triple crown." She continued in training until she was a 6-year-old, making a total of 51 starts, winning 13 races, and earning \$213,060.

Wistful was a namesake of the filly which won the first running of the Coaching Club American Oaks in 1917. Her son, foaled April 15, 1954, at Calumet Farm, Lexington, Ky., was a namesake of the General Duke which won the Belmont Stakes of 1868 and of the Confederate leader Gen. Basil Duke, second in command of the adventurous

cavalry unit under the direction of his brother-in-law Gen. John Hunt Morgan. The horse was as worthy of his name as of his ancestry.

The Calumet stable in 1956 was rich with promising 2-year-olds, but Barbizon, whisker-length winner of the Garden State Stakes, was the only one of them which added materially to the stable's earnings of that year. Except for Barbizon, whose training schedule was about as tight as the finish of his one big race, the several good juvenile prospects were allowed to take their time.

Gen. Duke raced only twice as a 2-year-old, in 5½-furlong tests at Washington Park in August. In winning the first of these he defeated 11 other maidens, making up nearly nine lengths from the first call to the finish. He was favorite, partly because W. Hartack was the rider. The next time out, on August 21, he was coupled with Iron Liege, which was making his first start, and the entry was at evens in the betting. Again Gen. Duke got away rather slowly, and this time he bucked his shins, finishing third to *Aberion and Culpeper, beaten 4½ lengths and a neck. Lapped on him were Better Bee and Roman Smug. Iron Liege, four lengths farther back, was sixth in the field of 11.

Beginning his 3-year-old season on January 3 at Tropical Park, Gen. Duke (113) finished second to the odds-on *Gallant Man (119), which won by six lengths and equaled the 1:09½ track record for six furlongs. On the 22nd, going against lesser competition at seven furlongs on a heavy track, he was 3 to 5 in the mutuel pool. With Hartack doing little more than holding the reins, he took the lead in the stretch and was being eased in the last sixteenth, finishing not quite two lengths ahead of the longshot Banned. Afterwards he sought out the best competition the 3-year-old division had to offer.

In the seven-furlong Bahamas Stakes of January 30 *Gallant Man (123) was favorite at 2.05 to 1, the entry of Bold Ruler (126) and Bureaucracy (126) was next, and Gen. Duke (114) was

third choice at 4.65 to 1, though the field of 11 included the speed specialists Federal Hill (126) and King Hairan (126). Bold Ruler, making his first start of the year, went to the front at once, won by 4½ lengths, and equaled the 1:22 track record. Gen. Duke, after running seven or eight lengths off the winner's fast pace, went past tiring horses in the stretch to finish second.

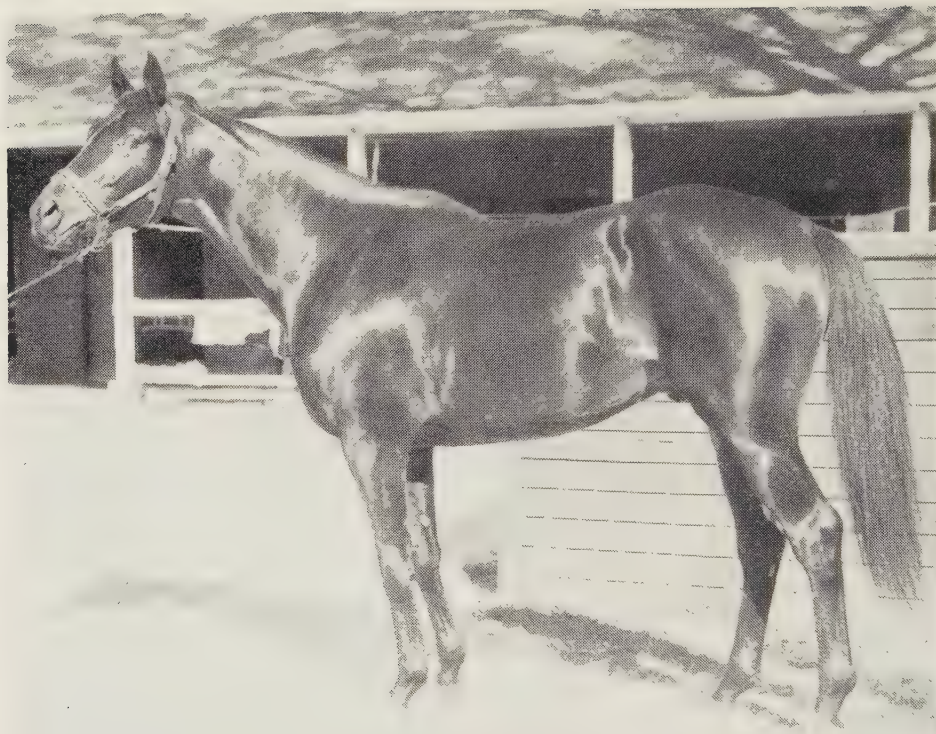
Behind him, in order of finish, were Federal Hill, *Gallant Man, *Ben Lomond (115), Ghan Fleet (120), Jet Colonel (114), Mister Jive (126), King Hairan, Nitime (123), Bureaucracy.

Iron Liege (114, Dave Erb) and Gen. Duke (112, Hartack) were odds-on for an allowance race at 1¼ miles on February 9, a week before the Everglades Stakes. Iron Liege won easily, by better than two lengths, lowering the track record by a fifth of a second to 1:42½. Gen. Duke, given only a slight push, beat Missile (124) by a head for second place. The others, all well beaten, were Barbarian (112), Mister Jive (113), Round Table (113), and Nitime (116).

Jimmy Jones, commenting on Calumet Farm's chances for a sixth Kentucky Derby victory, was quoted after this race: "We might not even have a starter, but the way it looks now, I have to rate our prospects Gen. Duke, Iron Liege, and Barbizon, in that order."

Gen. Duke (114) got his first major victory in the Everglades Stakes, waiting until the stretch to challenge Bold Ruler (126) and overtaking the 2-to-5 favorite in the last strides to win by a head. Six lengths back in third place was Iron Liege (117), followed by One-Eyed King (114), *Ben Lomond (114), *Bala-klava II (120), and the 109-to-1 Roman Request (114). Gen. Duke had been a length back as Bold Ruler finished the first mile in 1:34½. His time for the 1½ miles was 1:47½, a fifth of a second slower than Spartan Valor's track record.

Thanks to the switch to even weights, Bold Ruler again was odds-on for the \$100,000 Flamingo Stakes of March 2, and the Calumet team was 1.95 to 1, precisely the same odds as in the Ever-



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GEN. DUKE

GEN. DUKE, br. c., 1954	Bull Lea, br., 1935	{	°Bull Dog	{	°Teddy	{	Ajax
						Rondeau	
					Plucky Liege	{	Spearmint
							Concertina
	Wistful, ch., 1946	{	Rose Leaves	{	Ballot	{	°Voter
						°Cerito	
					°Colonial	{	Trenton [som
							°Thankful Blos-
		{	Sun Again	{	Sun Teddy	{	°Teddy
						Sunmelia	
			Hug Again	{	Stimulus		
					°Affection		
	{	Easy Lass	{	°Blenheim II	{	Blandford	
					Malva		
							Colin
							°Shyness

glades. Gen. Duke ran a better race than in the Everglades, but so did Bold Ruler. The favorite this time did the first mile in 1:34½, but Arcaro had found him more amenable to restraint in the early stages and thus had a better horse for the stretch. Early in the backstretch Bold Ruler had been about three lengths off the pace of Federal Hill and Mister Jive, and Gen. Duke had been about nine lengths farther back. In his best form, Bold Ruler was not a horse for any opponent to trust with a nine-length advantage.

Gen. Duke moved nearer the leaders in the backstretch. Arcaro and Hartack opened their preliminary skirmish on the turn, where Bold Ruler went to the front and Gen. Duke went through on the rail after Dave Erb had taken Iron Liege out to let his stablemate through. Through the upper stretch Bold Ruler maintained a two-length lead over Gen. Duke. Inside the eighth-pole Hartack fired all the ammunition left in the arsenal, and at the sixteenth-pole his mount was half-lapped on the leader. Bold Ruler still had an advantage of a neck at the end.

Behind the first two were Iron Liege, beaten three lengths, the worn-out Mister Jive and Federal Hill, One-Eyed King, and Missile. The winner's time for nine furlongs was 1:47, a new track record. Bold Ruler, rated for the first time, had followed close on a fast early pace and then stood off a mighty challenge in the stretch; Arcaro thought he would have stayed in front for another furlong. Most observers disagreed with this judgment. Of Gen. Duke, Hartack said, "Just watch him next time."

At the Gulfstream Park meeting Jones sent out, not only Gen. Duke (119) and Iron Liege (113), but also Barbizon (122) for the 1¼-mile Fountain of Youth Stakes, and the entry was 1 to 5. Gen. Duke and Iron Liege were first and second, a length and a half apart. Barbizon was fifth in the field of ten, about eight lengths behind Better Bee (113) and Moon Crazy (110), which

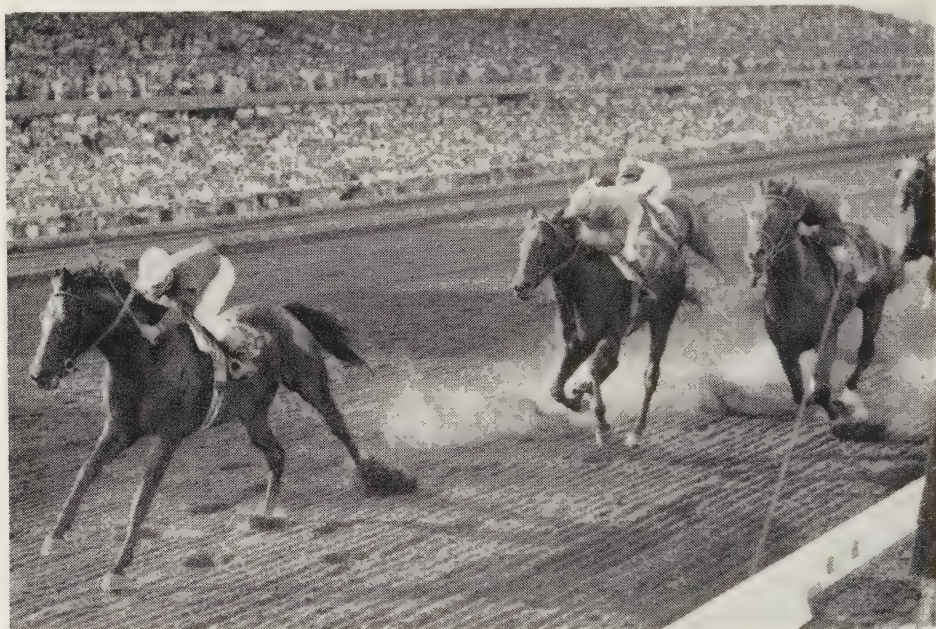
finished third and fourth, a head apart. The time was 1:44 on a sloppy track. Gen. Duke again had been slow to reach full stride, and he lugged in slightly as he was going past Moon Crazy at the head of the stretch. Angel Valenzuela's claim of foul caused a delay in posting the official sign.

Ten days later, on March 30, Gen. Duke ran his last good race, and his best, in the Florida Derby, another \$100,000-added test at 1½ miles. There were only five runners, three of them under 122 pounds, the other two, Iron Liege and Shan Pac, with a four-pound allowance. Bold Ruler was 3 to 5, the Calumet entry at 1.90 to 1; public evaluation was virtually the same as it had been in the two previous meetings with the colt from the Wheatley Stable.

The hindsight of one race is foresight for another, but not necessarily the foresight that leads to success. Arcaro's experience in the Flamingo Stakes persuaded him that Bold Ruler would run best if kept under restraint in the early stages. Accordingly he kept the favorite under a strong hold behind Federal Hill, which Willie Carstens was rating in front. Hartack, whose hindsight was to prove more profitable on this occasion, moved up to Bold Ruler in the backstretch and stayed with him until they were near the three-eighths-pole, then allowed Gen. Duke to fall about three lengths behind as Bold Ruler went on to the task of overtaking Federal Hill.

As seen from the stands, Gen. Duke's falling back on the turn was a sign that he had conceded defeat. In retrospect, it may have been the means to victory. Gen. Duke was allowed a breathing spell as Bold Ruler came eye-to-eye with Federal Hill; then he came on again full throttle in the upper stretch. At the eighth-pole four horses were heads apart, about four lengths ahead of Shan Pac. Federal Hill now surrendered. Bold Ruler held on for nearly half of the last furlong before he was beaten. He finished a length and a half behind Gen.

In winning the Florida Derby from Bold Ruler, Iron Liege (on rail), and two others, Gen. Duke lowered Gulfstream Park's record for a mile and an eighth to 1:46½, equaling the world record.



Jim Ra'tery Turfotos

Duke and retained a head advantage over Iron Liege.

Shan Pac was fourth, Federal Hill fifth and last, less than five lengths behind the winner. Gen. Duke ran the 1½ miles in 1:46½, so that Florida now came to share with California the world record for that distance. The time was 1½ seconds faster than the previous track record, which every horse in the race had bettered.

Bold Ruler had run a tremendous race. Gen. Duke, though driven to the limit, had beaten him with authority, and now appeared the best 3-year-old in North America. There were, of course, some reasonable questions concerning this leadership. Would Bold Ruler have been beaten if he had not resented the pain inflicted by Arcaro's restraint? Would he have yielded in the last sixteenth if he had been given a brief let-up such as that which fortified Gen. Duke for the stretch battle? Perhaps

not, but only perhaps. The questions, at any rate, were not to be answered.

Gen. Duke's steady improvement during his three-month campaign in Florida had been achieved through careful training and hard racing. Jones thought the colt needed a let-up in the intensity of training, and planned to race him only once more before the Kentucky Derby, he said. As it turned out, he raced twice. At Keeneland on April 19 he was last of three in a no-betting race at seven furlongs, beaten three lengths by Iron Liege and two lengths by One-Eyed King, the winner equaling the 1:22½ track record, and after the race he "cooled out sore." At Churchill Downs on April 30 he was second to Federal Hill in the Derby Trial, beaten 2½ lengths. As an entry with the unplaced Iron Liege, he was 2 to 5 in the mutuels.

The next morning Gen. Duke had a painfully sore left fore foot. For two days he remained in his stable while

veterinarians sought a diagnosis. On Friday morning, the day before the Kentucky Derby, he appeared on the track and moved soundly enough that his name, along with that of Iron Liege, was among the overnight entries for the Derby, though the trainer was doubtful whether he would start. Iron Liege won the big race alone. Gen. Duke went to Pimlico, worked a mile in 1:40½ on May 13, and was lame when he pulled up. He then went on to Garden State Park. Jimmy Jones, in the absence of positive evidence from the numerous X-rays taken, was still "hopefully convinced," as he put it, that he was dealing with a bruise.

It was not until July, when the colt had been returned to the farm at Lexington, that X-ray pictures finally revealed a fracture in the pedal bone. There was only a very fine line of separation, but there would have been no chance of recovery if the horse had been kept in exercise. The hoof of the injured foot was protected with a bar shoe; the only other therapy available was the healing process of nature. It was not until January 11, 1958, that Gen. Duke rejoined the racing stable in Florida.

As is usually the case with horses which fail to last out the season, Gen. Duke got no serious consideration in the year-end round-up of "the best." What he might have done later could only be conjectured, but at the time of his injury he appeared, for the moment, at least, the best of a very good crop.

Gen. Duke was an exceptional horse for any year. He stood about 15:3, on wrought-iron legs. He was what the trade calls a good doer. He was devoid of bad habits, and in competition his speed could be used as the rider willed—twice, if necessary, as was demonstrated in the Florida Derby.

J. A. E.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	2	1	0	1	0	\$ 2,635
1957	3	10	4	5	1	0	139,385
		12	5	5	2	0	\$142,020

GLORIOUS NYMPH, b. f., 1955, °Reading II—Paula's Nymph, by Sweeping Light. Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Kerr, breeders; Kerr Stable, owner; R. T. Watts, trainer. 107

Glorious Nymph, a sister to the stakes winner History Book, was foaled January 23, 1955, at John H. Ryan's Northridge Farms, in California. A well constructed filly, she had a nice turn of speed which let her beat some of the best of her sex going 5 and 5½ furlongs. Her only two poor performances were in the six-furlong Del Mar Debutante Stakes and in the 1¼-mile Gardenia Stakes.

She broke her maiden in her fifth start, on May 9 at Bay Meadows, and on May 24 at Hollywood Park she was put into the five-furlong Junior League Stakes, for California-bred fillies. She pressed the pace of One O Three for a half-mile, responded to Bill Shoemaker's urging in the stretch, and drew away to a 2¼-length victory. Her time for the five furlongs on a fast track was :58%. Third was Nushie, with others in the field of nine including Royal Nurse, Sally Lee, Twinkling, and Pie Face.

Glorious Nymph was favored for the Cinderella Stakes at Hollywood Park June 6. Prominent from the start, she challenged the pace-setting Stumbling Block after a half-mile, took the lead in the last sixteenth and drew clear to win by 2¼ lengths. The five furlongs were run in :58%.

In the 5½-furlong Lassie Stakes on June 5 she was slow reaching her best stride and finished fourth, beaten 5½ lengths by Sally Lee. Camloc and Pie Face were second and third.

In 11 starts she was first four times, second twice, and earned \$35,900.

G. E. W.

GOLDEN NOTES, b. g., 1954, Beau Max—Melodic, by Blue Larkspur. King Ranch, breeder and owner; W. J. Hirsch, trainer. 110

One of the most consistent horses of

the season was Golden Notes, which went to Washington Park early in August after a skein of victories at Hollywood Park. In Chicago he was third in a seven-furlong race, and won at six furlongs and at a mile before competing in his first stakes.

Against older horses in the Washington Park Handicap, Golden Notes (107½) was seventh to Pucker Up (111). In his next start, the Spy Song Handicap at Hawthorne on September 18, he carried 117 pounds and finished 1¼ lengths behind Ezgo (115) but was placed first when the latter was disqualified. Time for the 6½ furlongs was 1:16½.

Carrying 112 pounds, he whipped Dogoon (121) by 3½ lengths in a six-furlong overnight handicap, then was shipped to California. At Golden Gate Fields he won the 1¼-mile Oakland Handicap under 120 pounds, beating The Searcher (114) by half a length in 1:41½, four-fifths of a second slower than the track record. Carrying 122 pounds, he was third by 1½ lengths to Barouche (112) in the 1¼-mile Golden Gate Handicap on December 14.

As a 2-year-old Golden Notes won once and placed twice in three starts, earning \$4,300. At three, he won ten of 13 starts, was third twice, and earned \$64,405.

J. A.

GO LIGHTLY, b. h., 1952, Faultless—Whirling Lark, by Whirlaway. Gough W. Thompson, breeder; Roslyn Farm (Gough Thompson), owner; Frank A. Bonsal, trainer. 115

Go Lightly won the Gotham Stakes early in 1955, then proved unable to handle the year's better 3-year-olds. He regained his best form at five. He began his 1957 campaign in high-priced (\$15,000-\$17,000) claiming races at Hialeah Park, but after beating Pardala in a \$15,000 race on February 23 he stepped up again to better company. In his first stakes race of the season, the Mr. Fitz Handicap at Pimlico, he was third to Ricci Tavi.

He won twice at Delaware Park in June, and got two successive stakes victories at Narragansett Park in July. He took the 1¼-mile King Philip Handicap on July 6 under 115 pounds, handily beating Motor Line (115), Come On Red (110), Switch On (120), and seven others, and two weeks later, carrying 118 pounds, he won the 1½-mile Governor's Handicap by 2½ lengths from *Combustion II (110), with Gray Phantom (120), War Piper (111), Tournure (108), Illusionist (110), and Park Dandy trailing.

Go Lightly was unplaced in the Atlantic City and Queens County Handicaps, and in the 1 3/16-mile Narragansett Special, a bit beyond his best distance, he tired after setting the early pace and finished third to Oh Johnny and Tick Tick, beaten 4¼ lengths.

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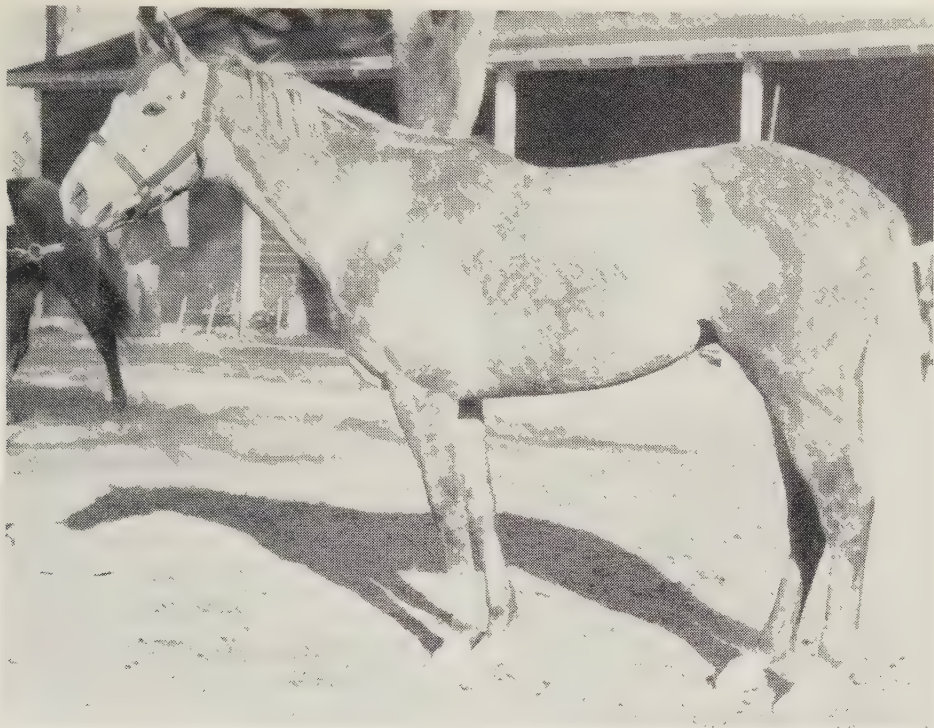
Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	9	1	2	3	3	\$ 5,150
1955	3	20	3	1	3	13	31,350
1956	4	15	4	0	0	11	11,700
1957	5	20	7	2	4	7	57,850
64 15 5 10 34							\$106,050

GRAY PHANTOM, gr. c., 1953, *Ambiorix—Grey Flight, by *Mahmoud. Wheatley Stable, breeder and owner; James Fitzsimmons Jr., trainer. 116

Gray Phantom seemed to be happiest at Tropical Park. He won four stakes there in 1957, finished second to Decathlon at six furlongs and second to Bardstown at 1¼ miles. Between three races at Tropical in January and three more at Tropical in December, he ran 16 other times, winning once.

In the six-furlong New Year's Handicap Gray Phantom (113) closed well to finish 1¼ lengths behind Decathlon (133). Four days later Gray Phantom (113) was stretched out to 1¼ miles for the Robert E. Lee Handicap, and he scored a 3½-length victory over Helfast (113), Flight History (115), Mr. First (114), Skipper Bill (119), Switch On

Gray Phantom was the best handicap horse at Tropical Park in 1957, winning four stakes and finishing second in two others at the Florida track.



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(126), King Grail (113), Oh Johnny (122), Fabricator (115), *Sunningdale (112), and three others. In the 1½-mile Tropical Handicap on January 15, he carried 118 pounds, stayed close to the pace throughout, and finished second to Bardstown (128), beaten 1¼ lengths. Another good field was behind him, including *Sunningdale (110), Switch On (122), Flight History (114), Oh Johnny (118), and Mr. First (113).

Fourth to First Served, Fabricator, and King Grail in the 1½-mile Royal Palm Handicap at Hialeah Park on January 26, Gray Phantom then was rested until the New York season. From April through November his best races were his second to Ricci Tavi in the Mr. Fitz Handicap and a third to Go Lightly in the Governor's Handicap at Narragansett Park.

At Tropical Park in December, however, the *Ambiorix colt won three con-

secutive stakes. The first was the 1½-mile Ponce de Leon Handicap on December 7, in which Gray Phantom (122) beat Pink Velvet (3, 116) by three-quarters of a length, with Rockcastle (115) third in the field of 12. A week later he carried 119 pounds to victory in the six-furlong Coral Gables Handicap, standing off the late rush of *St. Amour II (122) to win by a nose. Missile (116) was third, followed by *Tudor Era (121), Singer (113), Pink Velvet (113), and six others. In the 1½-mile Christmas Handicap Gray Phantom (124) led all the way to win easily by 4¼ lengths over *Juamarío (106).

D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	8	2	2	1	3	\$ 7,300
1956	3	21	5	1	3	12	28,750
1957	4	22	5	4	4	9	73,825
		51	12	7	8	24	\$109,875

GREAT PRIDE, b. f., 1954, Model Cadet-Ultra Modern, by Bimelech. Danada Farm (Mr. and Mrs. Daniel F. Rice), breeder; Mrs. Ada L. Rice, owner; J. P. Conway, trainer. 110

Great Pride, foaled April 23, 1954, at Mrs. Ada L. Rice's Danada Farm, Lexington, Ky., won two of six starts in 1956, and her best races were two seconds to Romanita, in the Gardenia Trial and in the Marguerite Stakes.

Coming up to the first division of the one-mile Honeymoon Stakes at Hollywood Park June 4, Great Pride had won once at Hialeah Park, was second to Pillow Talk in the Oaks Prep at Churchill Downs, and was fifth to Lori-El in the Kentucky Oaks. Running as an entry with Inquisitive, Great Pride came from about eight lengths off the pace at the top of the stretch to catch the favored Tourbillonte in the last sixteenth and drew out to win by 2¼ lengths. Her time on a fast track was 1:36½. Inquisitive was third, followed by Classy, Her Honor and three others. It was her last good race of the season. In six subsequent races, from six to nine furlongs, the come-from-behind filly never got closer than 4½ lengths.

G. E. W.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	6	2	2	0	2	\$ 8,855
1957	3	12	2	1	1	8	19,075
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		18	4	3	1	10	27,930

GRECIAN AYR, br. f., 1953, Heliopic-Sistayr, by Nedayr. J. Foster Smith, breeder; Agoura Stock Farm (James Johnston), owner. James Wallace, trainer. —

J. Foster Smith and Dan Howell had nominated Grecian Ayr for the 1¼-mile Modesty Handicap, but on July 6, seven days before the race, they lost her in a \$10,000 claiming race to the Agoura Stock Farm. Her new owner, James Johnston, kept her in the stakes, and she won her only race of the year.

Carrying 109 pounds, Grecian Ayr went off at 58-1, longest price in the race. Jockey Larry Gilligan put her on the lead at the start and, turning for home, she had a four-length margin. She tired rapidly thereafter, but managed to defeat Tremor (111) by a nose. *Estacion (116) was a neck farther back. *Otomana, Marooned, Inquisitive, and Amoret (120) followed in that order.

At two Grecian Ayr had been second in the Miss Chicago Stakes, but in 1956 she began running in claiming events, once for as little as \$6,000. The record: 36 starts, seven wins, six seconds, three thirds, and earnings of \$36,910. J. A.

GREEK CHIEF, dk. b. c., 1955, *Ambiorix-Greek Blond, by *Heliopolis. Blenheim Farms (John S. Phipps), breeder; T. J. Kelly, owner and trainer. 111

Greek Chief was unplaced in nine of 14 starts, but on three occasions he indicated he might be a good one at three. After eight races against moderate competition, he easily beat the highly regarded Nala in a six-furlong race at Atlantic City on September 25. He twice ran poorly at Garden State Park, but he closed his campaign with two good efforts at Tropical Park.

On December 16 Greek Chief made up seven lengths in the last furlong of a 5½-furlong race to be beaten a nose by Rico Ree. Five days later, in the six-furlong Dade County Handicap, Greek Chief (114) made up 4½ lengths in the last furlong to finish fourth to Hubcap (117), Counter Spy (115), and Bolero U. (122), beaten two lengths. The record: 14 starts, three wins, two seconds, \$8,620 earned. D. M. B. III

GREEK GAME, br. c., 1954, Olympias-Sunday Supper, by Questionnaire. Fred W. Hooper, breeder and owner; C. R. Parke, trainer. ARH 1956. 115

Few Thoroughbreds suffered a sharper

Fred W. Hooper's Greek Game retained his speed in 1957, but he was unable to run far enough to rank among the better colts in his division, as he had in 1956.



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loss of prestige in 1957 than did Greek Game. As a 2-year-old in 1956 the strapping colt had taken four stakes, including the Arlington and Washington Park Futurities, and was given 122 pounds in the Experimental Free Handicap. Late in 1956 he was operated on for a broken splint bone in his right fore leg.

Greek Game made a promising debut in 1957, taking a good six-furlong race at Arlington Park under 126 pounds. He led all the way to win by $1\frac{1}{4}$ lengths from Jet Colonel (117), with Barbizon (123) a close third. Mince Pie, the only other starter, was badly outdistanced while suffering a recurrence of a hip injury. The time was 1:09 $\frac{1}{2}$, a second slower than Hill Gail's track record.

He ran in nine other races, five of them at six furlongs; once he tried seven furlongs, twice a mile. He ran his best

six furlongs when the requirements were longer, and when he tried to extend himself he failed. Conversely, in his six-furlong races he was losing ground at the end.

He gave one of his best performances in the seven-furlong Laurance Armour Memorial Stakes, June 29 at Arlington Park, in which he broke on top and held a constant half-length margin to the eighth-pole. Iron Liege got to him in the last furlong, but could win by no more than a head. Greek Game ran the same type of race in the one-mile Arlington Classic, but the mile was two furlongs too much, and Clem, Iron Liege, and Manteau got past him; it was $3\frac{1}{2}$ lengths from Clem to Greek Game.

It was the same story in most of his other races—on the pace or close to it for $5\frac{1}{2}$ or 6 furlongs, then a struggle to salvage what he could in the last eighth of

a mile. Carrying 116 to 120 pounds, he was unplaced to Iron Liege in the mile Sheridan Handicap, third to *King Bruce II in a division of the six-furlong Meadowland Handicap, unplaced to Flight History in the six-furlong Clang Handicap, unplaced to Bold Ruler in the one-mile Jerome Handicap. J. A.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	9	5	1	1	2	\$214,805
1957	3	10	1	2	2	5	24,925
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	19	6	3	3	7		\$239,730

GREEK SPY, b. c., 1953, Greek Song-Spy Ship, by Slave Ship. Howard Wells, breeder; Mrs. Charles U. Bay, owner; Sherrill W. Ward, trainer. ARH 1956. 118

Mrs. Charles Ulrick Bay bought Greek Spy for \$50,000 near the end of his 2-year-old season, and by the time he won the 1957 Massachusetts Handicap she had got it all back.

Greek Spy opened his 1957 campaign with a victory over Admiral Vee at seven furlongs. It was three months before he won again, beating Fabulist nearly three lengths in a 1½-mile race. His best showing in New York was his third to Traffic Judge (118) and Dedicate (126) in the one-mile Metropolitan Handicap. The Metropolitan was half over before Greek Spy (114) got down to business, but he gained about 14 lengths from the far turn to the wire. Traffic Judge won by a length, and Dedicate was three-quarters of a length in front of Greek Spy.

For the 1½-mile Massachusetts, Greek Spy was given 118 pounds. He ran five to seven lengths off the pace for the first mile, went around the leaders going into the stretch, and won by a length from Illusionist (109), with Tick Tock (123) three lengths farther back.

In his only other stakes placing he carried 114 pounds and finished third, about ten lengths behind Bold Ruler

(133), in the 1½-mile Queens County Handicap. P. O'B.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	10	3	1	1	5	\$ 9,230
1956	3	13	2	4	0	7	33,800
1957	4	13	3	0	4	6	59,125
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	36	8	5	5	18		\$102,155

***GREY MONARCH**, gr. c., 1955, Grey Sovereign-*White Lodge, by Casanova. Dr. F. A. Smorfitt, breeder (in England); Edward P. Taylor, owner; H. A. Luro, trainer. 113

Bred in England, raised and broken in Canada, *Grey Monarch was a surprise winner of the Saratoga Special, his only stakes success of the season. Two efforts at Fort Erie had preceded the handsome colt's race in the winner-take-all Special, and it was a fast and fit horse which barreled out of the gate to lead all the way.

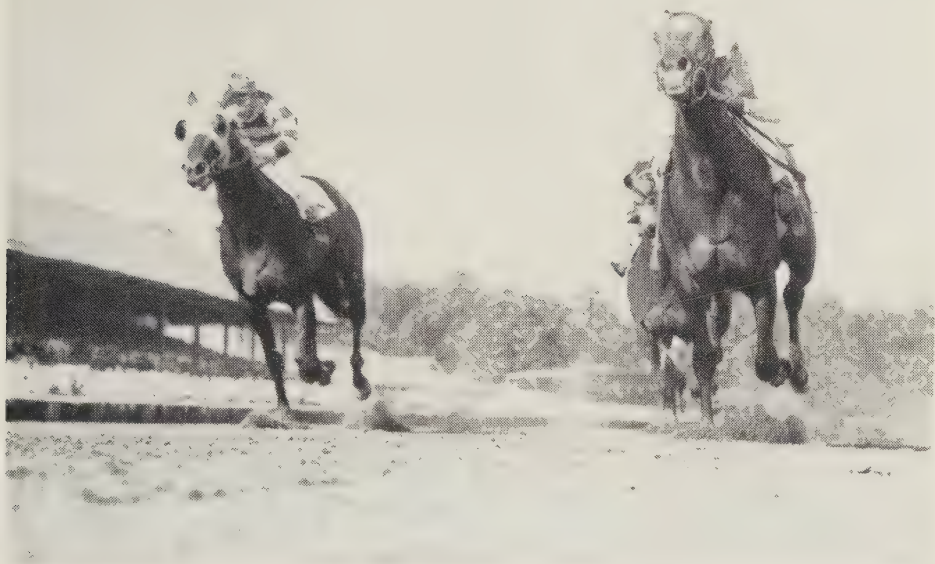
*Grey Monarch was the second colt of British parentage E. P. Taylor had sent from Canada to win this six-furlong event. The previous summer Nearctic had shown a similar burst of speed to lead all the way.

Four colts met under level weight of 122 pounds in the Special. A quarter in :24 and a half in :48 kept the gray colt a length or so ahead of George D. Widener's favored Jester, and a final quarter in :25½ found *Grey Monarch still with his margin. Turpitude and Dark Tale never were serious contenders.

*Grey Monarch never got to the front again in his 1957 races. He was sent to Chicago for the Washington Park Futurity and was no match for Jewel's

Grey Sovereign, gr., 1948	*Nasrullah	{Nearco
		{Mumtaz Begum
	Kong	{Baytown
*GREY MONARCH, gr. c., 1955		{Clang
	Casanova	{Hyperion
*White Lodge, br., 1946		{Double Life
	White Lady	{Caerleon
		{White Folly

**Grey Monarch, ears flat against his head, beat Jester by three-quarters of a length in the Saratoga Special. Turpitude finished third.*



Bert and Richard Morgan

Reward and Alhambra, losing by eight lengths.

An allowance event on Belmont Park's main course saw *Grey Monarch (122) again finish eight lengths off the winner, this time Claiborne Farm's rapidly improving Nadir (119), which was timed in 1:12. *Grey Monarch was closer to the pace, but faded near the end.

Tackling Belmont's Widener straight-away for the first time, *Grey Monarch ran a creditable third to Alhambra and Crasher, staying within about two lengths of the pace for the entire six furlongs. He then was sent to New Jersey for the Garden State Stakes, but after finishing 15 lengths off Nadir and Music Man Fox in a preliminary test he was shipped back to New York.

*Grey Monarch's next appearance saw

a reversal of tactics and form. Known for speed, he came from last place, ten lengths off the leader, to be second. He had dropped to last after coming out of the gate poorly, had seemed hopelessly beaten as they went into the big turn at Jamaica, but rolled past one after another of his opponents. At the end of six furlongs only Wirey Marks was ahead of him.

The gray colt then was aimed for the Pimlico Futurity, but another poor showing in a preparation prompted his connections to pass the race. Running on a wet track for the third time, he was 12 lengths back of Nala and Misty Flight.

*Grey Monarch was purchased as a yearling at Newmarket for 1,050 guineas (about \$3,000), and arrived at Taylor's Windfields Farm in Canada in a dead

heat with Christmas presents. He was the first U. S. stakes winner for Grey Sovereign, a son of *Nasrullah. In nine starts, he had two wins, a second, two thirds, and earned \$17,190. P. O'B.

GUIDE LINE, ch. f., 1955, *Nasrullah-Lurline B., by *Alibhai. Clifford Mooers, breeder; Llangollen Farm (Mrs. M. E. Lunn), owner; Charles Whittingham, trainer. 113

Third foal of the 1949 Santa Margarita Handicap winner Lurline B., Guide Line was bred by the late Clifford Mooers. She was sold by the Mooers estate to Mrs. M. E. Lunn's Llangollen Farm for \$37,000 at a Pomona, Calif., auction on January 21, 1957.

Guide Line did not get to the races

until September and it was not until late October that she began to show to advantage. Unplaced in her first two races and second in her third—all maiden events at Belmont Park—she then was fifth to Idun, beaten 9½ lengths, in the 1¼-mile Gardenia Stakes.

On October 30 Guide Line met Idun again in the 1¼-mile Frizette Stakes at Jamaica. She ran a much stronger race, gaining 4½ lengths in the last quarter to finish fourth, only 2½ lengths behind Idun and one length back of Lopar and Big Fright.

Last start of the year for Guide Line was in the 1¼-mile Selima Stakes at Laurel on November 9. Calumet Farm's unbeaten A Glitter was a 7-10 favorite, and Guide Line was 20-1. Guide Line got her usual slow start, and was last in the nine-horse field with a half-mile to



Jerry Fruttkoff

Guide Line, from the good race mare Lurline B., earned her only stakes placing of the season when she beat Crown a half-length in the 1¼-mile Selima Stakes at Laurel. The favored A Glitter was third.

go. She began picking up horses on the far turn, and caught Crown, which had taken the lead early in the stretch, at the eighth-pole, then gradually pulled ahead to win by a half-length. Crown beat A Glitter by six lengths, with Milady Dares, Big Effort, Hasty Doll, Lopar, Locust Time, and Sweet Mandy trailing.

Guide Line was eligible for the 1½-mile Marguerite Stakes a week after the Selima, but Mrs. Lunn and trainer Charles Whittingham decided to rest her until the Santa Anita Park meeting. The record: six starts, one win, one second, \$52,080 earned. D. M. B. III

HARMONIZING, ch. c., 1954, Counterpoint-Baby League, by Bubbling Over. Ogden Phipps, breeder and owner; James Fitzsimmons, trainer.

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The difference between first and second money cost Harmonizing \$53,950 during 1957, since the lightly built chestnut finished second in seven of his 19 starts.

All of Harmonizing's races in 1957 were at a mile or more, and his value at a distance was apparent in victories at 1¼ miles in 2:06½ over a slow track and at 1½ miles in 2:30½. In the latter race Harmonizing (112) beat Promised Land (117) by 6½ lengths, with Assemblyman (117) in the beaten field. From June through October, Harmonizing was never out of the money.

Harmonizing's sharpest effort was at Belmont Park on June 15, when he ran 1½ miles in 1:42½ to beat Sailor's Knot and Simon the Bold at level weights. In this, his first winning race of the season, Harmonizing came within two-fifths of a second of the track mark, held at the time by his sire, Counterpoint.

Harmonizing was second in three other stakes. Under 113 pounds he finished 4½ lengths behind the older Argent (117) in the 1½-mile Stymie Handicap, and under 110 he was 1¼ lengths off the older Admiral Vee (119)

in the 1¼-mile Merchants' and Citizens' Handicap. Again with 110 pounds, he was within two lengths of *Ben Lomond (116) in the Discovery Handicap.

Representing one of the most distinguished female families, Harmonizing was the last foal of Baby League, dam of Busher, Mr. Busher, Striking, and The Battler, all by War Admiral. P. O'B.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	7	1	1	0	5	\$ 3,515
1957	3	20	3	7	3	7	35,815
27 4 8 3 12							\$39,330

HARTNEY, dk. b. g., 1951, *Fairmond-Alimary, by Chance Line. R. J. Speers, breeder; K. R. Marshall, owner; Pat MacMurchy, trainer. —

Four victories in October and another in November lifted Hartney to the top rank of Canadian handicap horses, and he was voted Canada's "horse of the year" in a poll of *Daily Racing Form* writers.

Hartney's first impressive victory was in a 6½-furlong race at Woodbine on October 1. He ran the distance in 1:16½, a new track record, and won by three lengths. Four days later he came back to win the seven-furlong Seaway Handicap from Canadian Champ, Noble Roman, Nirdar, Pot Hunter, and five others, and the next week he lowered his 6½-furlong record to 1:16 while winning the Challenge Handicap under top weight of 126 pounds. Nirdar was second, Bunty's Flight third. On October 31 he knocked 1½ seconds from Woodbine's record for 1½ miles, winning by 4 lengths in 1:43. He concluded his season with a front-running victory in the 1¼-mile Durham Cup, the first time he had run more than 1½ miles, carrying 126 pounds and beating The Schreiber (111) by about two lengths, with Dorenes Lad (121) another two lengths back. Hartney won nine of 16 races in 1957, earned \$32,240. In five seasons he has won 24 of 64 races, earned \$58,625. D. M. B. III

HASTY DOLL, b. f., 1955, **Roman-Legendra**, by ***Challenger II**. **Newstead Farm (Taylor Hardin)**, breeder; **Hasty House Farms (Mr. and Mrs. Allie E. Reuben)**, owner; **Harry Trotsek**, trainer. 110

Ever since Hasty Road and Queen Hopeful, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Reuben have been partial to sons and daughters of Roman. At the 1956 Saratoga sales they paid \$13,100 for a daughter of Roman out of the good winner Legendra, a sister to Pictor.

Hasty Doll didn't have the early speed usually associated with Romans; she did her best running the last furlong or two. She was especially good on sticky tracks, a characteristic inherited from the bottom line, and her constitution was such that her races had to be spaced just right.

Roman, b., 1937	{ *Sir Gallahad III	{ *Teddy
		{ Plucky Liege
HASTY DOLL, b. f., 1955	{ *Buckup	{ Buchan
		{ Lookup
Legendra, b., 1944	{ *Challenger II	{ Swynford
		{ Sword Play
Lady Legend		{ Dark Legend
		{ *Sweepless

Hasty House generally prefers to take it easy with its 2-year-olds, but Hasty Doll had learned her lessons so well that trainer Harry Trotsek brought her out at Hialeah Park on February 15. She trailed throughout, but in her next start, at Gulfstream Park six weeks later, she was a good third to Bolure and Delnita.

At Keeneland on April 24 she won by 5½ lengths, and on Derby day at Churchill Downs she was third to Margaretta and Errard's Isle in the Debutante Stakes. Hasty Doll was going resolutely at the end, but she still was six lengths in arrears.

In her first start in Chicago, Hasty Doll squared matters with Margaretta in the Miss Chicago Stakes. Margaretta was 3 to 5, but Hasty Doll, behind by 1½ lengths at the furlong-pole, got up to win by a neck. They had equal weight,

119 pounds. In the Pollyanna Stakes, at Arlington Park on July 4, it was Margaretta's turn. Hasty Doll, far out of it for a half-mile, closed a big gap but could get no closer than 3½ lengths.

The next start for Hasty Doll was against Poly Hi, unbeaten in five consecutive races in the East, in the Arlington Lassie Stakes. The picture-pretty daughter of Polynesian won as was expected, beating Delnita by two lengths, with Hasty Doll a length and a quarter away in third and Margaretta fourth.

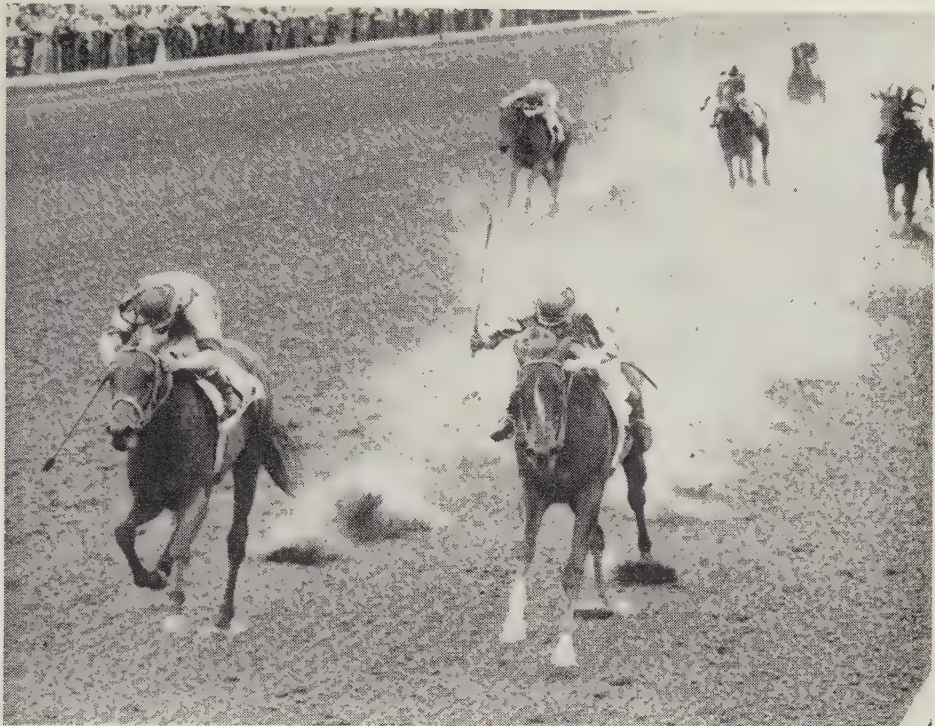
Hasty Doll encountered Poly Hi again in the Princess Pat Stakes on August 14, and this time she had the kind of track that suited her best. The surface was sticky, and Poly Hi had enough after three furlongs. Hasty Doll and Margaretta had it cut through most of the last furlong, but in the final yards the Hasty House filly pulled away to win by 2½ lengths. It was Hasty Doll's best race.

Hasty Doll didn't appear again until November 4 at Laurel, when she ran third in a mile race to Calumet Farm's promising A Glitter. In the Selima Stakes five days later A Glitter was odds-on. Hasty Doll, at 4-1, was never in the hunt, finishing sixth to Guide Line. She won three of ten races, was second once, third four times, and earned \$95,700. J. A.

HELFAST, b. h., 1951, ***Heliopolis-Color Fast**, by ***Beau Pere**. **Jaclyn Stable (Dr. Leon Levy)**, breeder; **Louis and William Santore**, owners; **E. B. Stewart**, trainer. 112

Helfast spent most of 1957 running in allowance races and overnight handicaps, but in three of five stakes he earned a portion of the purse. His best races were at the middle distances. In the 1¼-mile Robert E. Lee Handicap at Tropical Park on January 5 Helfast (113) finished strongly to take second place behind Gray Phantom (113). Flight History (115) was third, followed by Mr. First (114), Skipper Bill (119),

Hasty Doll (left) got up in the last stride to beat Margaretta a neck in Balmoral's 5½-furlong Miss Chicago Stakes. The daughter of Roman also won the Princess Pat and placed in three other stakes.



Coaching Club American Oaks, second in the Gazelle Stakes, and third in the Delaware Oaks. Retired in 1950, Scattered's first foal was Hide and Seek, an *Alibhai filly which did not get to the races. Her second was Cursory, a Middleground colt which placed at three and won four cheap claiming races at four. Her third foal was Here and There, also by Middleground, and the first of her foals to approach her own class.

Unraced at two, Here and There ran in three maiden races at Jamaica in April, finishing second twice. On May 6 she beat seven other three-year-old fillies in the slow time of 1:14 $\frac{1}{2}$ for six furlongs. She then finished fourth in an allowance race on May 31 before making her first stakes start in the one-mile Acorn. Eleventh in the 17-horse field after a half-mile, Here and There gained steadily to finish third, three lengths behind Bayou and a neck behind Tellurian. Trailing were some of the year's best fillies—Jota Jota, Lori-El, Pillow Talk, Light 'n Lovely, and Willamette.

Here and There failed to rally in the Coaching Club American Oaks, finishing fourth to Willamette, Bayou, and Woodlawn, beaten eight lengths, and ten days later, on July 13, she was fourth to Outer Space, Ambulance, and Gold Finery in the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Mother Goose Stakes, beaten ten lengths. Trainer Max Hirsch dropped her back to allowance competition. On July 19 she was second to the older mare Equableu at 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ miles and on July 23 she was second to the colt Mr. Seymo at six furlongs.

Here and There was a 23-1 outsider for the Monmouth Oaks, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles on July 27. She was about six lengths back for the first half-mile, moved up strongly leaving the backstretch, and caught Romanita with about 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs to go. The two fillies ran together for about a sixteenth of a mile, and then Romanita (117) pulled ahead. In the last sixteenth Evening Time (121) and Market Bas-

ket (121) also passed Here and There (113), which was beaten 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ lengths. Willamette (121), Bayou (121), Mlle. Dianne (113), and three others finished behind her.

At Saratoga Here and There was rested for nearly a month before a one-mile race on August 26. Advancing steadily after a slow start, she made up four lengths in the stretch to dead-heat with Teleran in the last strides. Pillow Fight was third, three-quarters of a length back.

The 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -mile Alabama Stakes, big race of the Saratoga meeting for three-year-old fillies, was on August 28, and Here and There (113) was a surprise entry. Tenth in the 11-horse field after a half-mile, she began to advance on the backstretch, and at the quarter-pole she was only two lengths behind a tiring Miss Blue Jay. She went to the front at the sixteenth-pole and drew out to beat Snow White (113), another late runner, by three lengths. Outer Space (121) was third, followed by Magic Forest (117), Bayou (121), Gold Finery (113), Evening Time (121), Market Basket (113), Miss Blue Jay (113), Willamette (121), and Ambulance (114). It probably was the best field of three-year-old fillies assembled in 1957.

Despite her spotty record before the Alabama, Here and There suddenly was a leading candidate for the division championship. But, less than 12 hours after she won the Alabama, she burned to death in a stable fire.

The record: 13 starts, three wins, four seconds, one third, \$39,102 earned.

D. M. B. III

HI PARDNER, ch. g., 1952, *Adaris-Wise Mary, by *Challenger II. Mrs. J. W. Brown, breeder; C. L. Hirsch, owner; Warren Stute, trainer. —

Hi Pardner won the Del Mar Derby in 1955 but had raced chiefly in claiming races (\$6,500-\$10,000) during 1956 and the first half of 1957. C. L. Hirsch

claimed the gelding for \$6,500 at Hollywood Park May 16, 1957, and before year's end he accounted for three good races.

In the Escondido Handicap at Del Mar September 9, Hi Pardner (113), steadied while within striking distance, was roused entering the stretch and beat Ordained (112) by three-quarters of a length. Regulus (115) was third. Hi Pardner ran the mile and a sixteenth on a fast track in 1:42½.

At Pomona September 21, in the 1¼-mile Los Angeles County Handicap, Hi Pardner (120) was steadied for half a mile, responded when placed to a drive and got up to beat *Kings Mistake (114) by a length in 1:46 on a fast track. Lealito (110) was third.

On November 28 at Golden Gate Fields in the Thanksgiving Handicap at 1¼ miles, Hi Pardner (112) began a strong run on the stretch turn which carried to a half-length victory. The time on a fast track was 1:42. Bisco (113) was second, Scotch (116) third.

G. E. W.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	1	0	0	0	1	\$ 200
1955	3	19	4	4	2	0	26,362
1956	4	24	2	1	2	19	14,325
1957	5	21	6	3	4	8	45,375
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*HOLANDES II, br. c., 1953, Full Sail-Highstar, by Hunter's Moon. Haras Argentino, breeder (in Argentina); Mr. and Mrs. Don B. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Carl D. Benedetti, and Mrs. B. R. Roberts, owners; B. R. Roberts, trainer. 114

*Holandes II, foaled September 6, 1953, was from the last crop by Full Sail (Fairway-Fancy Free, by *Stefan the Great), which twice led the sire list in Argentina, and his dam was a good-class race mare. In his home country *Holandes II won twice in six starts, was second in the *Clasico* Old Man and third in the *Clasico* Guillermo Kemmis.

Brought to the U. S. in September, 1956, by the International Stable of three Buenos Aires horsemen (Pablo Spinelli, Sanchez Morteo, and Eduardo Carreira) and the late William P. Kyne, *Holandes II quickly showed he could compete with high-class horses. He was second to Count Chic in the overnight Chartier Villa Handicap, second to Bobby Brocato in the Peter Clark Handicap, and on December 15, an hour before the 1¼-mile Bay Meadows Handicap, he was sold to Mr. and Mrs. Don B. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Carl D. Benedetti, and Mrs. B. R. Roberts for \$99,000. Carrying 122 pounds, he won the race by a half-length over *Eugenio (118) in 1:47½, equaling the track record.

He won his first start of 1957, on January 5 at Santa Anita Park, and a week later, in the 1¼-mile San Fernando Stakes, he ran as an entry with Blen Host and was favored at 7 to 10. The track was sloppy, and Family Album (122) held a two-length lead for six furlongs. Count Chic (118) and More Glory (112) headed him briefly at the eighth-pole, but *Holandes II (115), which gradually had worked his way forward, passed the leaders inside the sixteenth-pole and won by 1½ lengths. Family Album regained second place, and More Glory was third.

Terrang (118), Honeys Alibi (121), and Social Climber (121) got the money in the 1¼-mile San Antonio Handicap, and *Holandes II (122) was 11 lengths behind the winner in fifth place. A week later he spotted Arrogate and Battle Dance five pounds each and beat them going 1¼ miles.

For the 1¼-mile Santa Anita Handicap on February 23 *Holandes II (121) was second in the weights to Traffic Judge (122), and he turned in one of his best races. Willie Shoemaker let him take his time, and he went into the backstretch about ten lengths behind the pace of Battle Dance (110), Spinney (108), and Pit Boss (111). He improved along the backstretch, and went for the lead on the turn. Corn Husker (105) beat him to it, however. *Holandes II

ran wide into the stretch, but quickly recovered, and throughout the straight-away he and the lightweight had it out. Corn Husker, running his best race, won by a half-length.

Unplaced in two other races at Santa Anita, *Holandes II (122) then was sent after the Robert O'Brien Memorial Handicap at Bay Meadows, $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles on April 13. Giving from five to 20 pounds to six others, he was held off the pace until the top of the stretch, took command in the last furlong, and won handily by $1\frac{1}{4}$ lengths. *Windsor Serial (114) was second, Count Chic (117) third.

The horse was far below his form in his next three races, and his owners then decided to put him away for the rest of the year.

*Holandes II won two of six races at two in Argentina. In two seasons in the U. S. he won five of 15 races, placed three times, and earned \$84,570.

G. E. W.

HONEYES ALIBI, dk. b. h., 1952, *Alibhai-Honeymoon, by *Beau Pere. W L Ranch Co. (Harry M. Warner), breeder and owner; Lev Fanning, trainer. ARH 1956. 116

Honeys Alibi, foaled March 20, 1952, at W L Ranch in Woodland Hills, Calif., was the first foal of Honeymoon, rated by many as the greatest California-bred mare of all time. Because he usually could be counted on for an honest effort, the versatile horse was a favorite of California race crowds. Except for a fourth place in the 1955 Santa Anita Derby, Honeys Alibi never had been worse than third in 13 starts at Santa Anita Park.

He kept the streak going in the $1\frac{1}{16}$ -mile San Pasqual Handicap on January 5, 1957, finishing second, a neck behind Battle Dance (110) while giving the winner 10 pounds. Behind Honeys Alibi were Porterhouse (126), Terrang (120), Blessbull (122), Blue Volt (112), and *Poona II (121).

For the Santa Catalina Handicap, $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles on January 19, he was assigned 122 pounds and was second choice to Social Climber (125). The first half was run in :46%, six furlongs in 1:10%, with jockey Jack Westrope keeping Honeys Alibi fairly close to the pace. On the stretch turn Honeys Alibi went outside and he got up in the last sixteenth to win by a length. The time was 1:48%. Count Chic (118) was second, Terrang (120) third.

In the nine-furlong San Antonio Handicap on February 9, Honeys Alibi (121) followed the swift pace of Terrang (118). The half was done in :45%, six furlongs in 1:10, Terrang setting a new track record of 1:47% and winning by nearly six lengths.

In Honeys Alibi's last start, the Santa Anita Handicap, he carried 119 pounds and finished unplaced to Corn Husker. Several months later it was announced that he would be retired to the stud at Harry M. Warner's W L Ranch.

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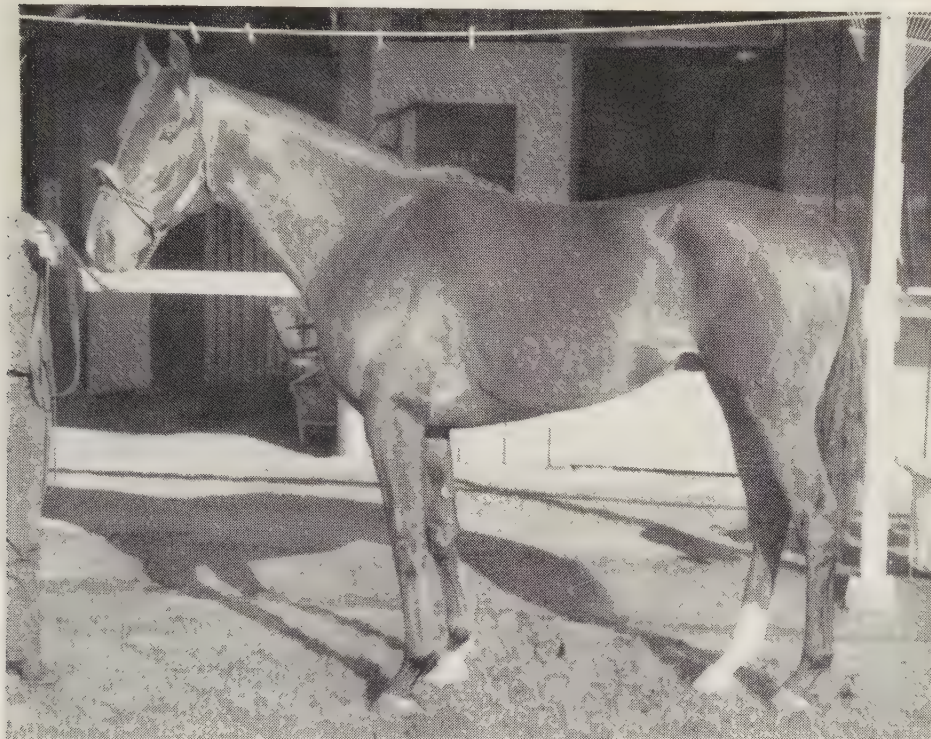
Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	5	0	1	0	4	\$ 1,000
1955	3	22	5	2	5	10	93,412
1956	4	19	2	5	5	7	131,700
1957	5	4	1	2	0	1	31,150
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		50	8	10	10	22	\$257,262

HOOP BAND, b. g., 1953, Hoop, Jr.-Patricia P., by Pilate. Fred W. Hooper, breeder; Mrs. Ada L. Rice, owner; James P. Conway, trainer. 115

In January, 1957, Fred W. Hooper sold 15 members of his racing stable at a paddock auction at Hialeah. Topping the sale was Hoop Band, which went to Mrs. Ada L. Rice for \$39,000. Seven months later, on August 17, he won the \$50,000-added Arch Ward Memorial Handicap at Washington Park.

High weight in the Arch Ward was Manassas (126), which had taken five consecutive races on the grass, including the Arlington Handicap, and was the

Honeys Alibi won the Santa Catalina Handicap and placed in two other stakes at Santa Anita Park in 1957. In the Santa Catalina he beat Count Chic and Terrang.



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even-money favorite. Hoop Band (113) was one of the longshots at 13-1. Not far off the early pace of *Festin, Hoop Band moved with a rush going into the stretch turn and won by $4\frac{1}{2}$ lengths. Manassas, which had started much slower than usual, closed well enough to beat *Sunningdale a nose for second money. Time for the $1\frac{3}{16}$ miles over the grass was 1:54 $\frac{1}{2}$, equaling the track record set by Swaps in the 1955 American Derby.

Hoop Band previously had taken four races, including two good overnights at Hollywood Park, and had been third to Munchausen and Royal Sting in a division of the Meadowland Handicap. In one of his best efforts he had carried 110 pounds and finished a length and a quarter behind Find (121) in the nine-furlong American Handicap.

After the Arch Ward, Hoop Band was unplaced in Round Table's United Na-

tions Handicap, was second to Chevation in the Philadelphia Turf Handicap, fourth to Manteau in the Quaker City Handicap, and unplaced to *Mahan in the Turf Cup at Laurel.

J. A.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	21	6	5	2	8	\$32,185
1956	3	7	1	2	1	3	9,675
1957	4	21	5	4	2	10	80,892
		49	12	11	5	21	\$122,752

HOW NOW, dk. br. g., 1953, Beau Max-But Why Not, by Blue Larkspur. King Ranch, breeder; G. C. Newell, owner; Cecil Jolley, trainer. 111

Because Hollywood Park's track has been so abnormally fast in recent years, no one is surprised or particularly impressed when a new record is set; too many mediocre horses have become

record-holders there. So it was taken as a matter of course when How Now dashed to a new six-furlong track record of 1:08% on June 22, 1957. Two other Beau Max horses, Hark and Golden Notes, won on the same afternoon. How Now, whose dam was the champion 3-year-old filly of 1947, went on to prove, however, that he was better than fair.

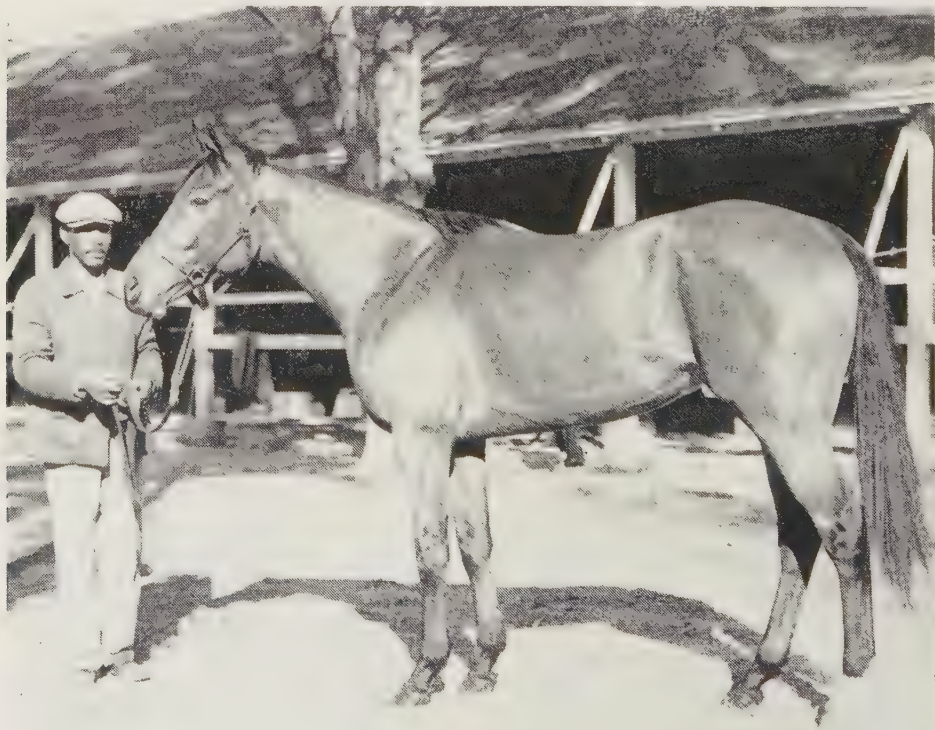
A few days after his record race How Now was sold by King Ranch to George C. Newell, of Seattle, for \$26,000, and in his first start for his new owner he finished fifth behind Nashville in the Lakes and Flowers Handicap. He then moved to Del Mar where he won five in a row and became something of a sensation.

In his first Del Mar start How Now vanquished a modest field at six furlongs. As the competition got tougher, How Now got better. In his next four races

only one horse, Jedgar Ruler, was in front of him at any stage. How Now led all the way to whip Head Man at six furlongs, then stretched out to $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles to conquer *Pirnie and *New Forest II.

How Now, dropping back to six furlongs, carried top weight of 122 pounds to a length triumph over Moolah Bux (112) in the Bing Crosby Handicap, and trainer Cecil Jolley, one of the many excellent horsemen developed in Washington, stretched his charge out again for the Del Mar Handicap at one mile and a furlong. Although some experts had misgivings about the gelding's ability to stay the distance, Jolley was confident. How Now (118) dashed into command at the start and held off *Windsor Serial (118) and *Pirnie (109) to win by a length in 1:47%.

After the close of Del Mar, How Now



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Hoop Band was bought by Mrs. Ada L. Rice in January of 1957 for \$39,000. Before the year was out he had earned more than double the purchase price.

was shipped north to Tanforan, where in his only start he was fourth to Battle Dance, to which he gave seven pounds, in the Peninsula Handicap. He was beaten 3½ lengths. The strike by parimutuel clerks closed Tanforan, and since How Now needed a rest, anyway, Jolley put him away to await Santa Anita.

Unraced at two, How Now at three won four of nine races and earned \$14,900. In 1957 he started 16 times, won seven races, placed in three others, and earned \$52,325

R. H.

HUBCAP, b. g., 1955, Boodle-Rub-Adub-Dub, by Pensive. Elkcam Stable (Frank, Robert, and Elliot Mackle), breeder and owner; R. Metcalf, trainer. 110

Frank, Robert, and Elliott Mackle, Miami contractors who race under the name of Elkcam Stable, in April, 1952, bought privately the 5-year-old horse Boodle and claimed the 3-year-old filly Rub-Adub-Dub. Boodle had finished third in the 1949 Youthful Stakes, but when the Mackle brothers purchased him he was running in \$5,000 claiming races. Rub-Adub-Dub cost \$3,000. In 1953 both were retired to Elkcam Farm, Lake Placid, Fla.

Boodle's second crop included Hubcap, Rub-Adub-Dub's first foal. Hubcap showed his speed early, and swiftness rather than stamina distinguished his performances throughout the year.

Second in a maiden race at Hialeah Park on January 17, he won the Florida Breeders' Stakes on February 6. After a fourth to Board Man in the Hialeah Juvenile Stakes, Hubcap placed twice at Garden State Park, then won the five-furlong Christiana Stakes at Delaware Park on June 12. Carrying 125 pounds, he led throughout to beat Bumpy Road (125) by 1½ lengths, with Ambitwixt (119) third. Two weeks later he was a close third, beaten about a length, to Bolero U. and A Dragon Killer in the 5½-furlong Dover Stakes. He had led early, tired in the stretch.

Hubcap was unplaced in the Tyro and Sapling Stakes and in 2 overnight races at Atlantic City. Rested for three months, he closed his campaign with three good races at Tropical Park. On November 30, carrying 115 pounds, Hubcap was second to Jimmer (123) in the 5½-furlong De Soto Handicap. He won a six-furlong race a week later by ten lengths, covering the distance in 1:09½, and took the six-furlong Dade County Handicap on December 21, carrying 117 pounds, putting away the early challenge of Jimmer (124), and holding off Counter Spy (115) and Bolero U. (122) to win by two lengths. The record: 14 starts, four wins, three seconds, two thirds, earnings of \$40,200.

D. M. B. III

I APPEAL, ch. h., 1951, Sir Pennant-Poesy, by Chance Shot. Brookfield Farms (Harry Isaacs), breeder; Spring Hill Farm (James D. Norris), owner; P. L. Kelley, trainer. —

I Appeal for three years ranked among the country's better sprinters, and his first four starts of 1957 equaled his best performances. He then tailed off, placing in only one of his last eight starts. He opened his campaign by winning a six-furlong race at Tropical by eight lengths in 1:10, three-fifths of a second slower than the track record. Carrying 117 pounds in his next race, he finished second to Decathlon (135) in the Hialeah Inaugural Handicap, with Eiffel Blue (112), Ambergis (115), Canadian Champ (118), Ben A. Jones (118), and nine others behind him. On January 23 I Appeal (117) pressed the pace of Admiral Vee (120) in the seven-furlong Palm Beach Handicap, then weakened at the end to finish third to Switch On (121) and Roman Patrol (120), beaten 1½ lengths. Eight days later he was second to Summer Tan at seven furlongs after leading deep into the stretch.

I Appeal was unplaced in the Armed and Warren Wright Memorial Handi-

caps, the only other stakes he ran in, and his only other placing was a second to Stag Line at Arlington Park in July.

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Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1953	2	7	3	1	0	3	\$ 16,905
1954	3	11	2	5	1	3	16,975
1955	4	15	5	5	2	3	32,450
1956	5	24	4	4	5	11	31,715
1957	6	12	1	3	1	7	10,780
		69	15	18	9	27	\$108,825

IDUN, b. f., 1955, *Royal Charger-Tige O'Myheart, by Bull Lea. Leslie Combs II and John W. Hanes, breeders; Mrs. Charles Ulrick Bay, owner; Sherrill W. Ward, trainer. 120

The early inhabitants of Scandinavia and Iceland created in their own image an intricate family of gods and demons and wove about them such tales as were necessary to explain the cosmos from Ginnunga-gap to Lower Slobbovia. These divinities had been traded in on newer models long before the late Charles Ulrick Bay went to Norway as ambassador for the United States of America, but he and Mrs. Bay were fascinated by stories from the religion they might have had first-hand if they had been born a few millenia earlier.

From the symbolic mysticism of the scalds Mr. and Mrs. Bay took the names of horses they later raced in the U. S. After the death of her husband Mrs. Bay retained her strong interest in racing, and she reserved for a filly of appropriate virtues the name of Idun, goddess of spring and keeper of the golden apples upon whose vitamins the denizens of Asgard depended for their everlasting youth.

The name was supposed to be pronounced something like E-doon, with the accent on the first syllable, but American horse-players, who get only a minimum of symbolic mysticism from the pages of the *Morning Telegraph*, promptly converted it to I Done, a pronunciation which had its own appropriate symbolism.

Charles Ulrick Bay was senior partner in the Wall Street firm of A. M. Kidder and Company. He died on December 31, 1955, and shortly thereafter his widow was named president and chairman of the company's board of directors. In December of 1957 the executive committee, in gay solemnity, issued on ornate resolution, ribboned and sealed and otherwise given official status, attesting what Idun had done:

WHEREAS, the filly IDUN, an outstanding performer in the Bay stable, has established a World's Record for gross earnings a two-year-old, and

WHEREAS, these earnings of \$223,940 were achieved in a total time of nine minutes twenty-eight and three-fifths seconds . . .

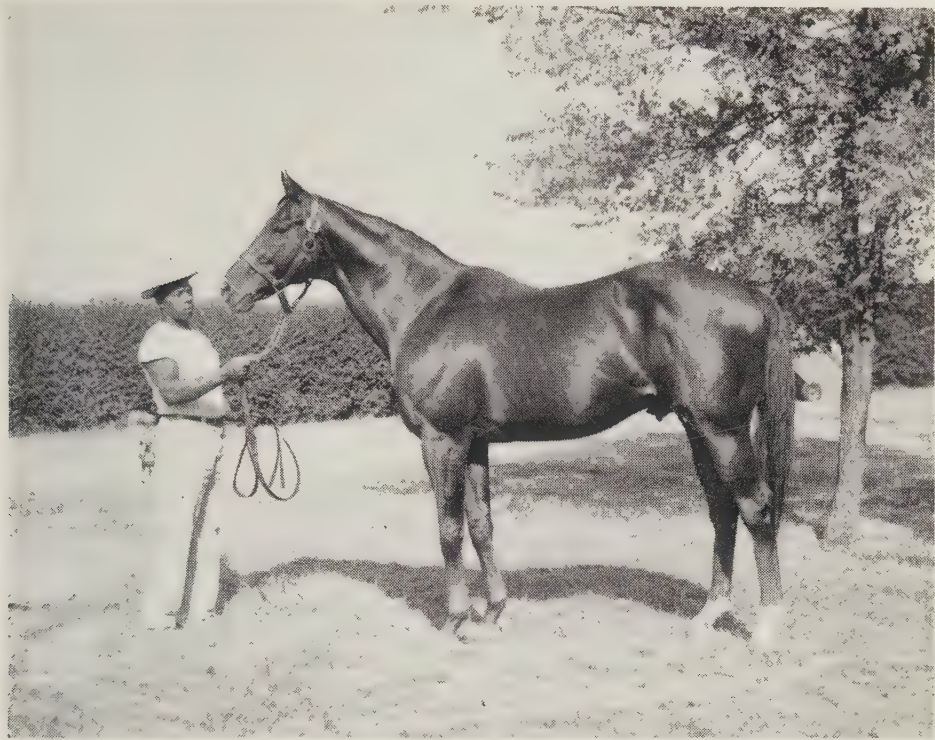
BE it therefore resolved that the Executive Committee of of A. M. KIDDER AND CO., INC., is pleased to elect said filly IDUN an honorary Vice-President with the hope that this recognition will serve as an inspiration to all producers of the firm who are now dragging their feet.

The fact that Idun was the opposite of a foot-dragger was responsible, as much as anything else, for the fact that trainer Sherrill Ward had been willing to invest \$63,000, a record sum for a yearling filly, to obtain her for Mrs. Bay's account at the Keeneland sales in the summer of 1956. She had an aggressive, confident walk, overreaching at each stride, "as though she were walking downhill." She was not big, but by the standards of race horse trainers, was as nearly perfect in conformation as any yearling that had come up for auction in a decade.

There was a perceptible accent on extra power in the hindquarters, as compared with the forehand, but the yearling's distinguishing characteristic was what the horseman calls balance, as manifested in symmetry and proportion of conformation and in co-ordination of action. "No matter where you put her feet, you could not make her stand wrong," Sherrill Ward said later.

The excellent conformation and style

**Royal Charger moved to Spendthrift Farm in Kentucky after having gained distinction while standing at the Irish National Stud. The unbeaten Idun was from his first crop of American foals.*



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would not, of course, have persuaded Mrs. Bay's agent and the runner-up, G. C. Raible, to go on bidding into the stratosphere if physical excellence had not been accompanied by ancestry of better than fair promise. Idun was from the first American-bred crop of foals got by *Royal Charger a stallion brought from the Irish National Stud to Spendthrift Farm in Kentucky in 1953, the year *Turn-to and *Royal Serenade were ratifying the reputation of his get in Great Britain and Ireland.

Like Pucker Up, Idun was the first foal of a young daughter of Bull Lea. Tige O'Myheart was bred at Calumet Farm, and raced under the Calumet colors until July of her 3-year-old season, when she was sold privately to Neil S. McCarthy, a Los Angeles attorney who also had bought *Royal Charger for

importation. McCarthy raced her for about two months; her last start was on September 18, 1953, at Golden Gate Fields, and she was unplaced, as usual. The only race she won was a six-furlong optional claiming affair at Tanforan in March, 1953. Since the pedigree made her too valuable to risk with a claiming price, she usually was put against company that was too good for her. Her total earnings in 14 starts were \$3,000.

McCarthy sold the mare privately to Leslie Combs II and John W. Hanes, who sent her in 1954 to the court of *Royal Charger. Idun was foaled April 14, 1955, at Combs' Spendthrift Farm, and was listed as the property of Leslie Combs II when she was sold at Keeneland on the afternoon of August 1, 1956.

Tige O'Myheart was a sister to Faultless (ARH 1947). Their dam, which



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IDUN, b. f. 1955	{	°Royal Charger, ch., 1942	{	Nearco	{	Pharos	{	Phalaris
					Nogara	{	Scapa Flow	
				Sun Princess	{	Solario	{	Havresac II
					Mumtaz Begum	{	Catnip	
	{	Tige O'Myheart, br., 1950	{	Bull Lea	{	°Bull Dog	{	Gainsborough
					Rose Leaves	{	Sun Worship	
					°Colonial		{	°Blenheim II
				Unerring	{	Insco		Mumtaz Mahal
					{	Margaret Lawrence		
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produced only one other foal, was the high-class Unerring (ARH 1939), sister to Herbert M. Woolf's Kentucky Derby winner Lawrin (ARH 1938) and to the Kentucky Oaks winner Inscollassie. There were numerous other good horses in the immediate family, and Bohemia, Unerring's granddam, was by *Wagner out of Iroquois's sister Jaconet (*Leamington-Maggie B. B., by *Australian), thus a member of one of the great families in the American stud book.

No conceivable set of credentials, however, would have made the filly a short-odds gamble at \$63,000; by the very nature of Thoroughbred breeding and racing, she was a longshot. The late Edward Riley Bradley would have laid even money that she would fail to win a race of any kind at a major track as a 2-year-old. The master of Idle Hour Farm usually came off winner in such wagering, though the players included some of America's best horsemen. As a matter of fact, the \$62,000 filly which held the record for a brief interval, before Idun was sold at the same auction session, failed to race at all as a 2-year-old. Sherrill Ward went to the outer reaches of probability when he paid a record price and got the winner of a record sum.

Immediately after the filly was purchased, she was turned over to the trainer's brother, John T. Ward, who broke her and kept her at Keeneland until the following April. Ordinarily she would have been sent to Florida for the winter, but John Ward thought her ankles "a little suspicious," and had them fired. He had gone no further with her training than to breeze her a few times before she was sent to Sherrill Ward's stable in New York.

On the race track, as elsewhere, Idun always exhibited an aggressive, competitive, confident spirit, without ever having manners unworthy of a lady. Like many other good runners, she liked company, and was inclined to wait upon other horses after she had taken the lead—a tendency which sometimes had to be remedied with batwork. Her racing rec-

ord was singularly uncomplicated; she simply finished in front in all her races except the first one, and she won that by disqualification.

The first appearance in competition was at Belmont Park on July 19, when Idun was one of 18 maiden fillies going five furlongs on the straight Widener Course. With Eric Guerin riding, she was the favorite. She followed close on the pace of Bridgework, the only runner with a weight allowance for an apprentice rider, and was still second at the finish, three parts of a length behind Bridgework and a neck ahead of Lament, with Daddy's Day, Wendasy, and *Francoise II next across the line. But Bridgework, which was to win the Sorority Stakes at Monmouth Park 12 days later, had followed an unsteady course, interfering with the two opponents which finished nearest her, and the stewards took her number down.

In the first of two races at Saratoga's August meeting Idun came from behind on the turn and won by 3½ lengths from Picknick'ng, which had a strung-out field behind her. The winner's time for 5½ furlongs was 1:06½. In the next start, at six furlongs on a slow track, she ran in front all the way, put down Court Planting's challenge in the stretch, and appeared to have expended all her energy in winning by three-quarters of a length over Abientot, which gained nearly three lengths in the last eighth.

Idun then returned to Belmont Park, where in September she had two six-furlong races over the Widener Course, starting as second choice in each. The favored Armorial (111), closing stoutly, was beaten only a head by Idun (116) in the race of September 14. Behind the first two were Pocahontas (119), Fleet Ellie (113), Point Pleasant (110), Bridgework (116), Hannibal's Girl (112), and Jig-Along (113). Time, 1:10.

A week later Idun made her first attempt at winning big money. Guerin, who had ridden her for the smaller prizes, was already obligated to pilot Poly Hi in the Matron Stakes, and Bill

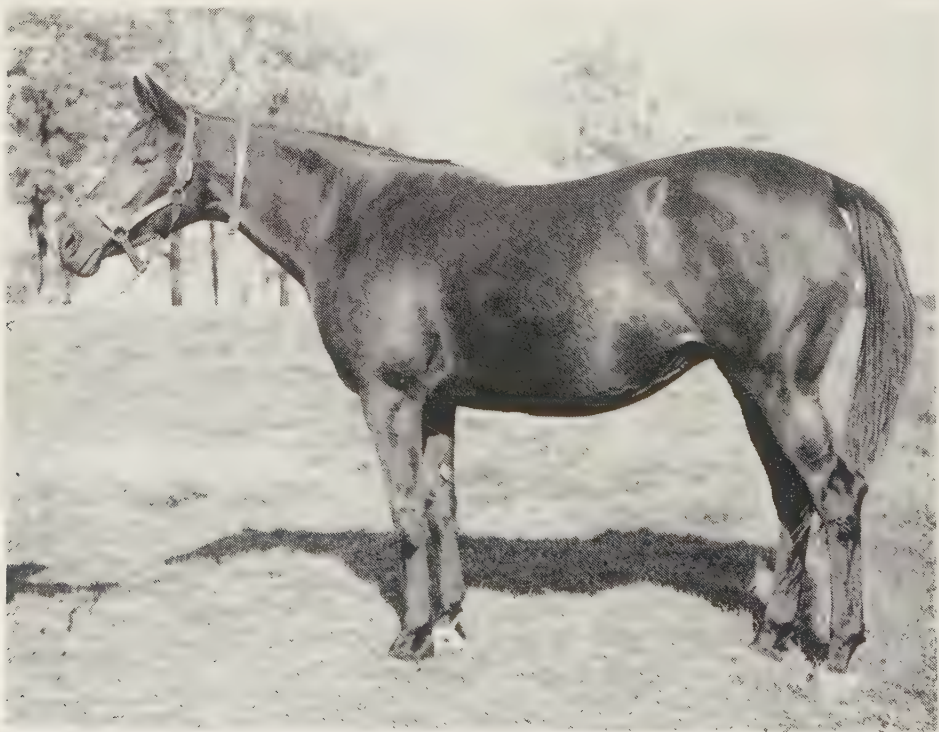
Hartack took the mount on Idun. Poly Hi, the favorite, made the early running. Idun moved up beside the leader near the half-way point, edged ahead when they were about three-sixteenths out, and went on to win by three lengths, running the six furlongs in 1:09%, a second slower than Romanita's time in 1956 and First Flight's (under 123 pounds) in 1946.

Poly Hi, Armorial, and Big Effort were second, third, and fourth, at two-length intervals, and Pocahontas was fifth in the field of 13 runners. First money was \$42,900 net. Idun now had earned \$54,730.

After her Matron victory Idun coughed for several days, but the ailment subsided quickly, and the trainer proceeded with his plans for the Gardenia Stakes of October 19. By way of

approach to this richest of all races for 2-year-old fillies, she won the one-mile Gardenia Trial on October 12, with Sam Boulmetis up. She was odds-on for this, but had contention all the way, and at the finish had only a nose advantage over Quig Flame and a neck over Locust Time, both of which were receiving nine pounds. Kapitor, Polamby, and Sally Lee were next across the line. Running between horses, sometimes in such close quarters that Boulmetis could not whip, Idun had carried on courageously, but she had tried loafing. She did the mile in 1:37%, slowing down to 26 seconds for the last quarter.

The Gardenia, run over $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles of mud, was a different story. Idun, with Hartack up, brushed off Sequoia after a quarter-mile, opened a four-length lead in the backstretch, and widened it to



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Tigé O'Myheart, whose first foal was Idun, had strength and substance from her sire, the famous Bull Lea. A sister to Faultless, she was the only filly from Lawrin's high-class sister Unerring.

six on the turn. Hartack let her take the last sixteenth at a two-minute pace, and she finished 3½ lengths in front, with Craftiness and Meant Well, both members of the four-horse betting field, second and third. Quig Flame, Guide Line, and Point Pleasant were next. Sequoia, whose class was proved in other races, beat only one of the 15 runners.

Net to the winner was \$101,750. The time, 1:45½, was precisely the same as that of the two previous runnings of the \$50,000-added race. The track had been sloppy when Nasrina won in 1955, and was called good when Romanita was disqualified after beating Magic Forest a nose in 1956.

The odds against Idun in the Gardenia had been 13 to 10. In her last start of the year, in the Frizette Stakes at Jamaica on October 30, only six fillies, none of them a stakes winner, came out against her, and she was 1 to 10 in the betting, shortest odds of the year in New York. The Frizette had \$50,000 added, but the stakes put up by owners were much less than in the Gardenia, and net to the winner was \$58,475.

It was easy money. Hartack had Idun under restraint as she made the pace, and under a stronger hold as she finished the 1¼ miles in a slow 1:46½. Her margin was 1½ lengths over Parlo's sister Lopar, which got second place by a head over Big Fright. Guide Line, Meant Well, Short Pause, and At First Sight were the others. As in the Gardenia, there had been too little competition to provide a genuine test of the winner's stamina.

Idun now had earned more than any other 2-year-old filly in history, having surpassed the \$219,000 record established by Top Flight in 1931. The owner and trainer had resisted the temptation to run her against colts in the Futurity (which Top Flight had won), and they also put aside the Selima Stakes, which apparently could have been had almost as a matter of routine. Idun went off to Hialeah Park without a blemish on her record or,

except for the firing marks, on her valuable legs. She had no serious rival in her division, and she had rather efficient equipment for defending her honors as a 3-year-old. In her eight starts and eight wins Idun earned \$220,955 net (\$223,940 gross).

J. A. E.

**INFANTRY, ch. g., 1953, Phalanx-
*Miss Alesia, by Milton. Elmendorf
Farm (Max Gluck), breeder; Sunny-
side Stable (Paul Grafe and William
Welch), owner; Dale Landers, train-
er.** 111

Infantry, best runner out the high-class Argentinian mare *Miss Alesia, was foaled April 1, 1953, and purchased at the 1954 Keeneland fall sales for \$4,200 by Paul Grafe. True to his breeding, he improved with age.

In the 1½-mile San Luis Rey Handicap on the turf at Santa Anita, he was beaten only a neck by *Posadas. Again on the turf in the 1¼-mile San Juan Capistrano Handicap, Infantry finished well to be third behind Corn Husker and Spinney, beaten 2½ lengths.

At Bay Meadows, after running last in the William P. Kyne Memorial Handicap, Infantry went postward in the Children's Hospital Handicap May 11 carrying 112 pounds. He closed strongly to get up in the last strides, beating Eddie Schmidt (114) by a head. Battle Dance (117) was third. Trailers in the field of 13 included Count Chic (117), Spinney (117) and *Rumbo (116). Time for the mile and a sixteenth was 1:42½.

In four starts at Hollywood Park, Infantry's best race was a second to Alidon at nine furlongs; he was beaten a head while tiring in the drive. He was unplaced in two starts at Golden Gate Fields.

G. E. W.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	8	1	0	2	4	\$ 2,825
1956	3	15	2	3	1	8	14,200
1957	4	14	2	2	1	9	49,300
		37	5	5	4	21	\$66,415

INFATUATION, b. f., 1953, Rosemont—Imacomin, by *Heliopolis. Brookfield Farm (Harry Z. Isaacs), breeder and owner; E. I. Kelly, trainer. —

Infatuation failed to equal her dam, winner of 14 races and \$96,150, but she inherited good speed. This speed was shown in her first 1957 start, when she won Laurel's six-furlong Cherry Blossom Handicap. A quarter in :22% and a half in :46 were sufficient to cook the opposition, and Infatuation won in 1:11% under a mild drive.

She started only twice more during the year. Carrying 120 pounds, she finished second to Little Pache (116), when that filly was at the top of her form, in the six-furlong Correction Handicap at Jamaica. Carrying 118, she was unplaced to Happy Princess (116) in the six-furlong Champlain Handicap.

Infatuation was at her best when early speed carried her away from the field. When she lost the lead by a tardy start or crowding, then all the speed seemed lost. She got the lead in the Cherry Blossom and won. She was outsprinted by Tarquilla and Glamour in the Correction and finished second. In three campaigns Infatuation won five of 16 races, placed in five other races, and earned \$41,345. P. O'B.

INSIDE TRACT, ch. c., 1954, Ace Admiral—Mary Terry, by Terry. Brookfield Farms (Harry Z. Isaacs), breeder; D and M Stable (Raymond De Brino and Joseph Martino), owner; J. J. Weipert Jr., trainer. 115

On the day before the Preakness a surprise arrived in Baltimore: 34-year-old trainer Jack Weipert unloaded Inside Tract from a van, galloped him around the Pimlico track, and announced that the former claimer had made the trip to run against Bold Ruler and Iron Liege in the Preakness. Men who were known to have good hearing were seen cupping a hand to an ear and asking, "What did that young boy say?"

After the race the question was changed to "What did that young boy do?" Inside Tract, at 54-1, ran a very creditable third to Bold Ruler and Iron Liege in his first stakes effort, finishing a little more than two lengths off the winner and just failing to nip the Kentucky Derby winner at the wire. The strong rally had started from ten lengths off the early pace.

What had the young boy done? Well, to start with he had faith in the colt. Enough faith to ante up an extra \$1,000 to get him back after he was claimed from him in a \$12,500 claiming event at the close of his two-year-old season. Weipert had originally haltered Inside Tract for \$7,500 and had won two pots with him in a short space of time, so all that profit was wiped out when he had to repurchase the Ace Admiral colt.

Starting slowly with Inside Tract at three, Weipert brought the colt up to a winning race in March at Gulfstream Park, again with a price of \$12,500. Inside Tract came back with a victory in non-claiming company, running over horses at the end of a mile and 70 yards. Another allowance win at the same distance, and again in 1:41%, preceded a race at Jamaica in which Inside Tract came within three-quarters of a length of beating Assemblyman at even weights. Then the van ride to Baltimore.

After the Preakness, the upstart went after the Jersey Stakes at Garden State. He never settled into stride, and finished ten lengths back of Iron Liege, apparently disliking the track, which was harder than those he had been running on.

Weipert entered Inside Tract in an allowance race before the Belmont, and the colt made a good bid to finish second to Cohoes while conceding six pounds to the Greentree colt. The nine-furlong run sharpened him for an audacious attempt on the 1½-mile Belmont Stakes.

Only four 3-year-olds came out against *Callant Man and Bold Ruler in the Belmont, and one of them was *Bold

Nero, stablemate of *Gallant Man. Inside Tract third choice at 16 to 1, had no part of the early pace, which saw *Bold Nero run a quick half-mile to soften Bold Ruler for *Gallant Man's late rush. Eldon Nelson waited until *Gallant Man had made his move to the lead, then opened a drive and went past all but one. At the finish he was four lengths ahead of Bold Ruler and eight lengths behind *Gallant Man, which ran the 12 furlongs in American record time of 2:26%. Inside Tract came close to the old mark set by Bolingbroke and actually ran the distance faster than any previous Belmont Stakes winner, including Citation and Count Fleet.

Only one more race remained for Inside Tract, and that was a dull effort. After starting poorly, he made up only a few lengths to finish well back of Busher Fantasy. That was not his race, and there was a possibility that neither the Preakness nor the Belmont represented his true form, but these two efforts gained him a place among the best 3-year-olds.

When his breeding was taken into consideration, Inside Tract was no great surprise. He was by one of *Heliopolis' very good sons, and he was the next-to-last foal of the 1935 Clipsetta Stakes winner Mary Terry, half-sister to Milcave and other good runners. Mary Terry's daughters included Almerry, dam of Donnajack, and Missmahoot, dam of the stakes-winning fillies Imacomin and I Offbeat.

P. O'B.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	6	2	1	0	3	\$ 5,750
1957	3	14	3	4	1	6	45,850
		20	5	5	1	9	\$51,600

INSWEPT, br. c., 1954, Faultless-Sweep In, by *Blenheim II. G. W. Thompson, breeder; Roslyn Farm (G. W. Thompson), owner; F. A. Bonsal, trainer. 116

Ten of Inswept's 14 races in 1957 were good efforts but only one paid off

with first money. Running in good form during the spring and summer months, the son of Faultless was able to place in five stakes, including his victory in the Chesapeake at Laurel on April 20, when Inswept (119) outran Gannet (113) and Cannon Fire (113) in the stretch.

Inswept had come up to the Chesapeake without a win since he closed his 2-year-old season with a victory in the Spalding Lowe Jenkins Stakes at the same track. But the 1½ miles in 1:44% was sufficient to bring him into the list of stakes winners of 1957.

Almost a month later Inswept made his next start in the betless Preakness Prep at Pimlico. Running evenly, just off Bold Ruler's pace, he finished second, within a length of the Wheatley colt, which ran the 1½ miles in 1:43% in one of his least impressive races. At 20-1 in the Preakness, Inswept had speed for the early part and then fell back to finish unplaced, 15 lengths behind Bold Ruler.

He did better in the 1½-mile Kent Stakes, holding on gamely to be second, a length off *Lucky Dip while conceding the Cain Hoy colt six pounds. The Leonard Richards, also at Delaware Park, saw Inswept back to the "speed, then tired" routine, as *Lucky Dip, this time without weight advantage, was the winner and Inswept was unplaced, beaten about 12 lengths.

A change of scenery to Narragansett Park was helpful. Inswept put in two good races at the New England course. Running in the Independence Day Handicap, Inswept (122) made a stout bid and then faltered to be passed by Assemblyman (122) and Big Paddy (119). In the nine-furlong Providence Stakes Inswept (120) saved his bid for the final rush to the wire and missed catching Bureaucracy (120) by the margin of a head. The time was 1:51%.

Inswept ended his 1957 campaign with four starts in New Jersey. He was beaten a neck for second place in the 1½-mile Choice Stakes at Monmouth Park, after running near the pace; Vertex, the winner, had a seven-length

margin. A good overnight test at $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles in which he finished second was followed by a fair performance in Atlantic City's Ventnor Handicap at $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles on grass. Inswept closed a gap in the Ventnor, but got only fourth money, behind °Ben Lomond, Vertex, and °Anxious Moment. He finished last in the Boardwalk Handicap on September 2, his last race of the year.

In ten starts as a 2-year-old Inswept had won three and finished second three times, earning \$20,050. At three, in 1957 he won one of 14 races, was six times second, twice third, and earned \$38,331. P. O'B.

I OFFBEAT, blk. f., 1954, War Relic-Missmahoot, by Halcyon. Brookfield Farms (Harry Z. Isaacs), breeder and owner; Edward I. Kelly, trainer. 108

I Offbeat ran in nine races in her first two seasons and never did a first quarter in more than 23 seconds. Once she was last of 12 out of the gate and was in front after two furlongs, which she did in :23. With a good break she could be counted on for a quarter in :22.

In Jamaica's Prioress Stakes I Offbeat handled her speed to perfection. Getting the lead at the break, she did a quarter in :22 and won by eight lengths from Therapy.

A few times I Offbeat started slowly, made too much of a rush to the first big pole, and tired in the stretch. It happened this way in the Betsy Ross Stakes, when she was third to Evening Time and Marullah, and in the Interborough Handicap, when Venomous (119) led a string of five fillies past I Offbeat (114) in the last strides. She always had the speed, but racing fortunes sometimes robbed her of taking full advantage of it. I Offbeat won her only race at two, earning \$2,700. At three she won three of eight races, placed twice, and earned \$27,230.

P. O'B.

***IRISHER**, b. c., 1954, Hindostan-°Early Sunrise, by Sol Oriens. A. P. Reynolds, breeder (in Ireland); E. M. Goemans, owner; William Molter, trainer. 108

*Irisher started 16 times in 1957 and encountered Round Table in seven races.

His best performance was in Round Table's Westerner Stakes at Hollywood Park, in which he accepted an advantage of 19 pounds and was second, two lengths back at the wire. Time for the $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles was 2:00%.

A colt that did not like to be hurried from the gate but usually was running well at the finish, *Irisher won twice during the year. At Santa Anita Park he turned back Royal Academy, a sprinter trying to stretch out to a mile and a sixteenth, in 1:42%. Promised Land was eliminated when he lost his rider at the start. *Irisher's other victory was at Del Mar, in the last race of his career. The colt had taken charge at the top of the stretch and four strides from the wire he fractured his right hind fetlock. He finished gamely to win by slightly more than a length in 1:36% for the mile. The next morning X-rays disclosed the seriousness of the break, and *Irisher was destroyed on the advice of veterinarians.

In 9 starts at two *Irisher won three races, was twice second, and earned \$6,375. At three he won two of 16 starts, placed five times, and earned \$50,950. R. H.

RON LIEGE, b. c., 1954, Bull Lea-Iron Maiden, by War Admiral. Calumet Farm (Mrs. Gene Markey), breeder and owner; H. A. Jones, trainer. ARH 1956. 126

Iron Liege, in scoring his first added-money victory at Churchill Downs on May 4, 1957, became the sixth Kentucky Derby winner bred and owned by Calumet Farm, the third sired by Bull Lea, the third from his immediate family of

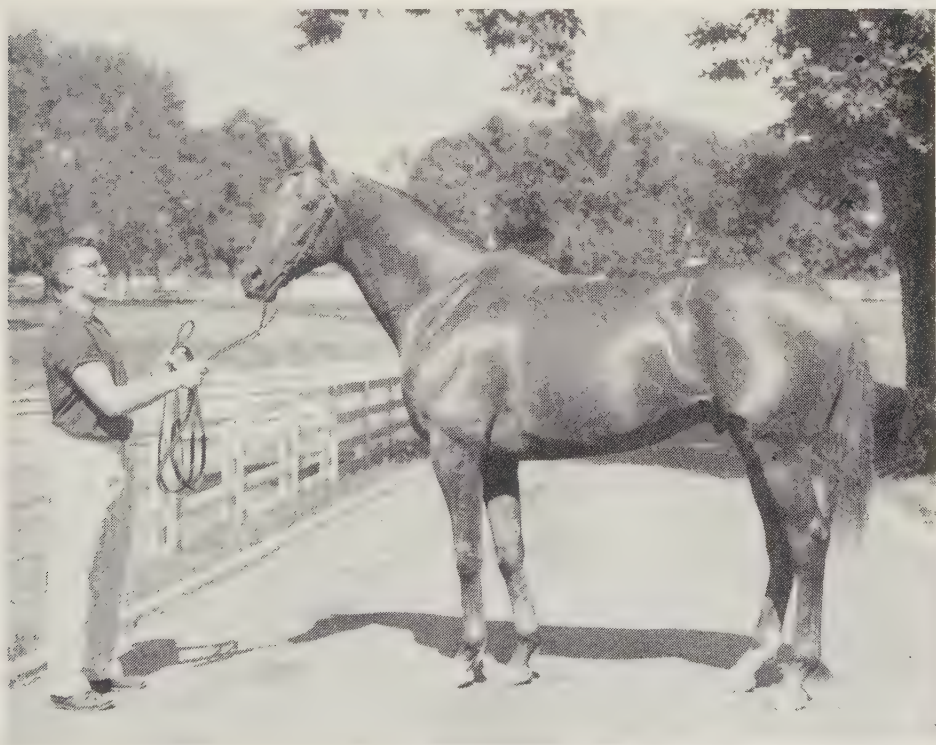
female-line ancestors. He was the first uncle to follow a nephew in winning the classic. Swaps, 1955 winner of the collar of roses, was a son of Iron Reward, half-sister to Iron Liege, whose third dam, Uncle's Lassie, had produced the 1929 winner Clyde Van Dusen.

There was nothing quite parallel to this, though two other mares had become dam and granddam of Kentucky Derby winners. *Weatherwitch's son Fonso won the race in 1880, and her more distinguished grandson Hindoo was first by four lengths the following year. Albia, daughter of Alarm, was dam of the 1892 winner Azra and granddam of Ben Brush, first in 1896.

The nephew got to the races before the uncle because Iron Maiden had a sort of familial destiny to fulfill. Her first foal was Iron Reward, bred by

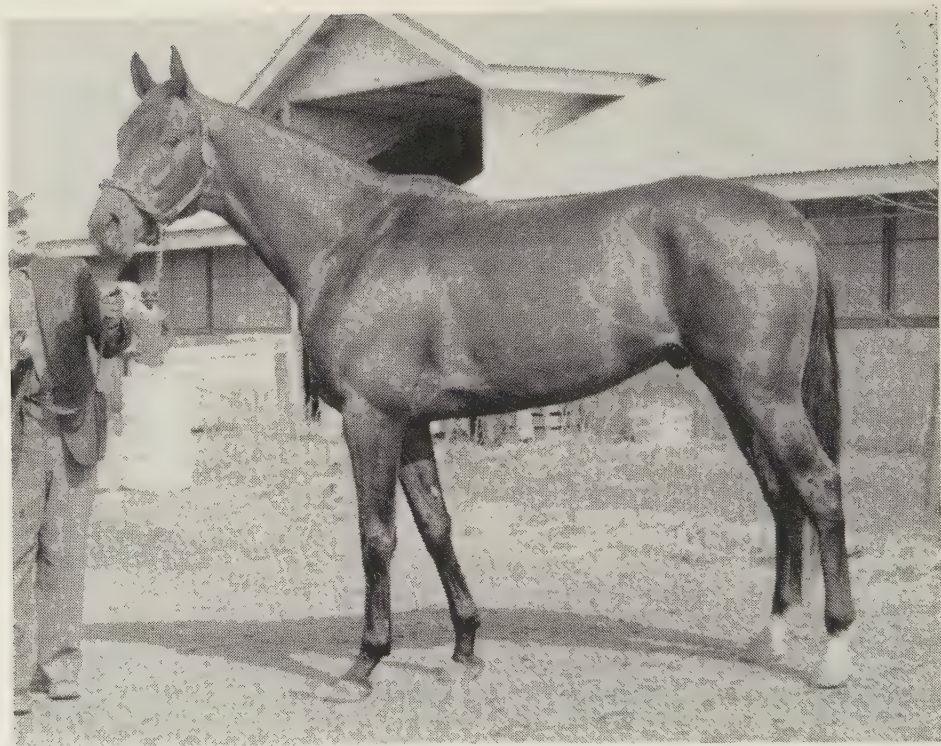
W. W. (Tiny) Naylor in 1946 and sold to Rex Ellsworth, for whom she produced Swaps, literally the fastest horse that ever looked through a bridle. Iron Maiden had been a good race mare, but she had never won a stakes race, as her dam, granddam, and great-granddam had done. She went back to training after having weaned her first foal, and qualified as stakes winner by taking the Del Mar Handicap of 1947 under the colors of E. B. Johnston. Later she was sold, by Naylor, to Calumet Farm. Her best son, until the developments of 1957 changed the ranking, was Iron Liege's brother Trentonian, Calumet's best 3-year-old of the year of Swaps and Nashua.

The family teemed with good horses, and especially with good mares. Among them was Wanda, Iron Liege's sixth dam,



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Swaps, Kentucky Derby winner in 1955, was a "nephew" of the 1957 winner. "Skeets" Meadors made this photographic study of the California champion after Swaps moved to Kentucky in the summer of 1957.



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IRON LIEGE

IRON LIEGE, b. c., 1954	Bull Lea, br., 1935	'Bull Dog	°Teddy	{ Ajax Rondeau
			Plucky Liege	{ Spearmint Concertina
	Rose Leaves		Ballot	{ °Voter °Cerito
			°Colonial	{ Trenton [som °Thankful Blos-
	War Admiral		Man o' War	{ Fair Play Mahubah
			Brushup	{ Sweep Annette K.
Iron Maiden, b., 1941	Betty Derr		°Sir Gallahad III	{ °Teddy Plucky Liege
			Uncle's Lassie	{ Uncle Flanuttess

an outstanding runner. Wanda was a half-sister to the Hanover mare Urania, whose high-class daughter Armenia, exported to France, was to put Q. E. D. to the counter-proposition that 50 million Frenchmen can be wrong. Neither Hanover nor Armenia's female-line ancestors could be traced at all points from the American to the British stud book; instead of having a number, like all good English matriarchal families, the family of Armenia went back a few generations in the American stud book and ended with a *Medley mare whose dam was unknown.

When the near-extinction of racing in the U. S. in the first decade of the twentieth century had resulted in a dispersion of American stock to other countries, the British and French stud book authorities found a means of stopping the exportations. In 1913 they ruled that American Thoroughbreds were not Thoroughbreds, because in the distant reaches of most pedigrees were a few ancestors not traceable to the *General Stud Book*. In order to be pure Thoroughbred, a horse had to be pure British.

This dictum, pure foolishness though it was, was quite successful in halting the exportation of American racing stock. But Armenia produced *Durbar II, winner of the 1914 Derby at Epsom and maternal grandsire of Tourbillon, whose descendants finally persuaded both the French and British authorities that purity, as they had defined it in 1913, was no longer useful to them. In 1948, after standing against the American plebeians for 35 years, they accepted that tenet of American philosophy which advises: if you can't beat 'em, join 'em.

Iron Maiden's own performance provided more cogent evidence than did her pedigree. In her four seasons of racing, one of them after time out for maternity, she went to the post 61 times, won 12 races, earned \$52,590. She was in the top one per cent of mares, on the basis of racing ability. Many European breeders cannot understand

how a mare can do so much racing and still become a good broodmare. Many American breeders have come to understand that soundness, durability, and racing ability are the best clues available for selecting broodmare prospects.

When Iron Liege was foaled at Calumet Farm, at 12:50 a. m. on March 11, 1954, a team from *Sports Illustrated* was waiting for him—picture editor Gerald Astor and the famous photographer whose professional name was Ylla. Three minutes after the foal was born, Ylla's camera began recording his progress from infancy to fame. One of these first pictures, reproduced as the frontispiece of this book, was a memorial to the art of this great photographer. Ylla was killed in 1955 when she was making pictures of a bullock race in India.

"The baby started at 9,066 to 1" was the heading of the story when it was published in *Sports Illustrated* of February 25, 1957. These were the odds against his winning the Kentucky Derby if a colt by Bull Lea out of a mare like Iron Maiden had no better chance than any other registered foal of 1954. The actual odds, of course, were somewhat shorter, because of the genetic and environmental differences involved. At a rough guess, a colt of good conformation, by Bull Lea out of one of Calumet Farm's best race mares and producers, was about a 200-to-1 chance for the Derby. He was 15 to 1 in February, when Ylla's pictures were published.

Iron Liege, which never studied genetics, was quite unaware of his proud heritage. Bob Moore broke him as a yearling at the farm and reported him an excellent prospect, but, unlike most of the sons of Bull Lea, temperamental. The temperament was relatively uncomplicated: the adolescent colt was simply a fraidy-cat. The racing stable foreman, Dexter Finney, and trainer Jimmy Jones had to devote a good many hours to therapy. The colt was nervous and skittish, and was inclined to shy away

from other horses on the track. To give greater confidence, he was galloped between horses, between a horse and the rail, ahead of and behind horses, and with horses coming up to him from the rear.

Constant schooling took the edge off his shyness, but the definitive cure, in Dexter Finney's opinion, was administered by Edward Arcaro, in the colt's third race.

In the early months of 1956 Iron Liege had a cough which delayed his progress in training. He got to the post for the first time on August 21 at Washington Park and finished sixth of 11 runners in a 5½-furlong test won by *Aberion, with Calumet Farm's Gen. Duke in third place after having bucked his shins. He was thoroughly green, and the clods thrown in his face did nothing to whet his appetite for racing.

His next five races were at Belmont Park, where the trainer had taken aim on the Futurity. He won the first of these, on September 5, running six furlongs on the straight Widener Course in 1:09% for an easy victory over 17 other maidens. Buford was second, One-Eyed King third. It was in the next race that, according to Finney, Dr. Arcaro cured his hippophobia.

On September 14 Iron Liege was favorite in a field of 14 for a six-furlong test on the main course at Belmont. He started out in front, then yielded the lead to Out to Win. On the turn, when Asgard came up on the inside, he began to "back off," and his fears were doubled when Nashville moved up on the outside. At this point Arcaro began vigorous application of a counter-irritant which apparently persuaded him that there were worse things than horses to be afraid of.

He was third to Nashville and Asgard, but finished stoutly. The next time out, on September 22, he slowed up again in the face of competition on the turn, but got another reminder from Arcaro's bat, and in the last furlong he went away to win by 3½ lengths from Asgard.

Returning to the Widener Course for the Anticipation Purse on October 5, Iron Liege was ridden by Henry Moreno. It is unlikely that Moreno got riding instructions from Arcaro, who won the race on Bold Ruler. Iron Liege dropped back gradually and finished seventh of the nine runners, beaten nearly nine lengths. Eight days later, under R. L. Baird in the Futurity, he ran with more determination, staying near the leaders all the way and finishing fourth to Bold Ruler, Greek Game, and Amarullah, beaten 2½ lengths, a nose, and a neck.

Having missed the big one at Belmont Park, Iron Liege was sent to Garden State Park for the big one there. He was noticeably nervous as Hartack took him to the post for a mile race on October 19, and he was forced wide at the first turn, but he strode out well in the stretch to finish second, 4½ lengths behind Take Note, a nose ahead of Dark Trust. Eight days later, in the Garden State Stakes won by his stablemate Barbizon, Iron Liege finished far back in the big field. He had been crowded back on the first turn, and Hedley Woodhouse got nothing out of him later.

The Garden State was Iron Liege's last race as a 2-year-old. His apparent timidity on this occasion suggested a relapse from the Arcaro cure, but there may have been other reasons for his poor showing. At Belmont Park after the Futurity, he had thrust his left fore leg through the canvas webbing in his stall and struggling to free himself had irritated the skin over the tendon to a dangerous degree. He had recovered from the injury quickly, but there must have been a temporary effect on his ability or willingness.

In the Experimental Handicap, at a hypothetical distance of 1¼ miles, Iron Liege was assigned 116 pounds; 15 colts and the filly Alanesian were ranked above him. In Florida he and Gen. Duke were both to outshine Barbizon, which stood at the top of the free handicap with 126 pounds.

During the 1957 season Iron Liege

was, in general, a sound horse, though he had temporary trouble with a splint. He was bigger, heavier, and more muscular than Gen. Duke, and thus a bit more like his sturdy sire. He ceased to be a psychological problem, gained in courage and class, and, with only one race expected, was a dependable performer from January through August.

Iron Liege made five starts at the Hialeah Park meeting. He won the first three of these, at six furlongs, seven furlongs, and $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles. In the $1\frac{1}{16}$ -mile test, on February 9, Iron Liege (114) and Gen. Duke (112) were 9 to 20, and they finished 1-2, ahead of Missile (124), Barbarian (112), Mister Jive (113), Round Table (113), and Nitime (116). Iron Liege finished more than two lengths ahead of his stablemate and lowered the track record by a fifth of a second, to 1:42%. Even more encouraging, perhaps, was the fact that he had run with the leaders all the way and had gone between horses when he moved to the front in the stretch.

In competition for the more important races of the Florida season Iron Liege played second fiddle to his stablemate, which flowered and faded within three months. Gen. Duke (114) defeated Bold Ruler (126) by a head in the Everglades Stakes, $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles; Iron Liege (117), which had helped keep Bold Ruler under pressure, lost ground in the stretch and was beaten six lengths, finishing ahead of One-Eyed King (114), *Ben Lomond (114), *Balaklava II (120), and Roman Request (114). When Bold Ruler gained a narrow victory over Gen. Duke at even weights in the $1\frac{1}{2}$ -mile Flamingo Stakes, Iron Liege was third, beaten three lengths, a dozen lengths ahead of Mister Jive, fourth. Dave Erb had taken him out from the rail on the turn to allow Gen. Duke to save ground as he moved to the attack.

At Gulfstream Park, Calumet sent out Barbizon (122), Gen. Duke (119), and Iron Liege (113) in the $1\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Fountain of Youth Stakes. Barbizon was a dis-

tant fifth in the field of ten. Iron Liege was second, a length and a half behind Gen. Duke. Ten days later, on March 30, Gen. Duke (122) won the Florida Derby by a length and a half, and Bold Ruler (122) held a head advantage over Iron Liege (118) all through the last furlong. The only other starters were Shan Pac (118) and Federal Hill (122). The winner's time, 1:46%, equaled the world record for $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and all five starters bettered the 1:48% track record.

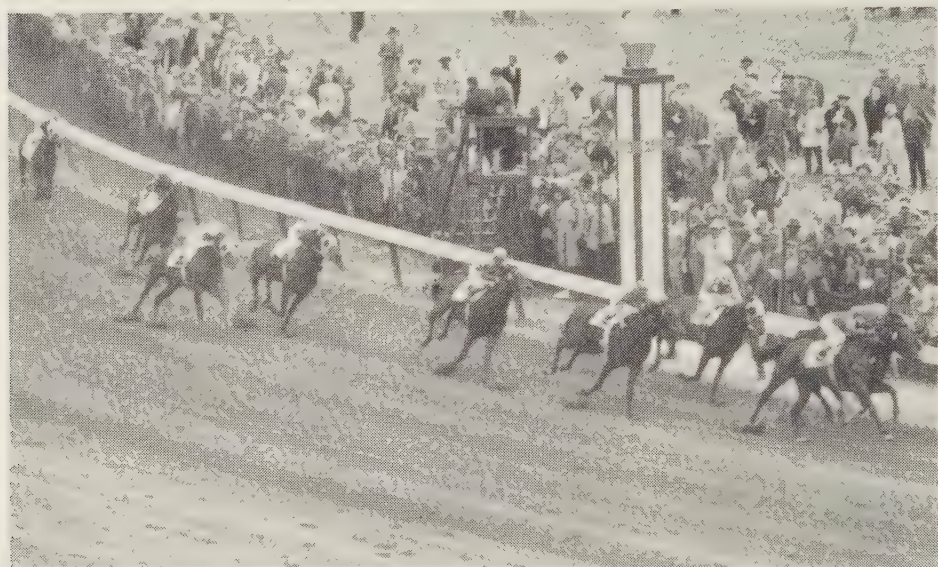
Calumet's team for the Kentucky Derby now was headed by Gen. Duke, but the surrogate was to wear the crown. The first intimation that something had gone wrong with Gen. Duke came April 19 at Keeneland, where he finished third to Iron Liege and One-Eyed King in a three-horse race at seven furlongs. Iron Liege (114), receiving eight pounds from his stablemate in the no-betting exhibition, made all the pace and equaled the 1:22% track record.

The public, though surprised, attached no importance to the result. Gen. Duke had finished within three lengths of the winner, and, since there was no betting, there was no obligation for him to run faster. But he had a sore foot when he cooled out.

In the one-mile Derby Trial at Churchill Downs on April 30 Federal Hill (122) was first, $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths ahead of Gen. Duke, which had a margin of a neck over Better Bee (116). Iron Liege (116) was fifth in the field of six, beaten seven or eight lengths, and apparently tiring. Now the sore foot was aggravated worse than ever, but it was not until the morning of the Derby that Jimmy Jones finally gave up hope and scratched his best horse.

This left Calumet with only a long-shot chance of winning its sixth Kentucky Derby. The odds against Iron Liege were 8.40 to 1 at off-time on May 4. They would have been considerably longer but for the fact that the combination of Calumet, Jones, and Hartack (who was shifted to Iron Liege after Gen. Duke was scratched) appealed

*As they passed the quarter-pole in the Kentucky Derby Iron Liege was taking the lead from Federal Hill. At this point *Gallant Man was fifth, behind Bold Ruler and Round Table (on rail).*



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strongly to punters without fixed convictions as to the best horse in the race.

Iron Liege was always close to Federal Hill's pace, and he moved from third to second position early in the backstretch, after Bold Ruler had rebelled against Arcaro's efforts to contain his speed. He held to the rail, just behind or partly lapped on the leader until they were near the middle of the turn. There Federal Hill drifted in slightly and Hartack reined Iron Liege to the outside, sacrificing the shorter distance for the greater safety. Despite this maneuver Iron Liege drew slightly ahead within the next furlong.

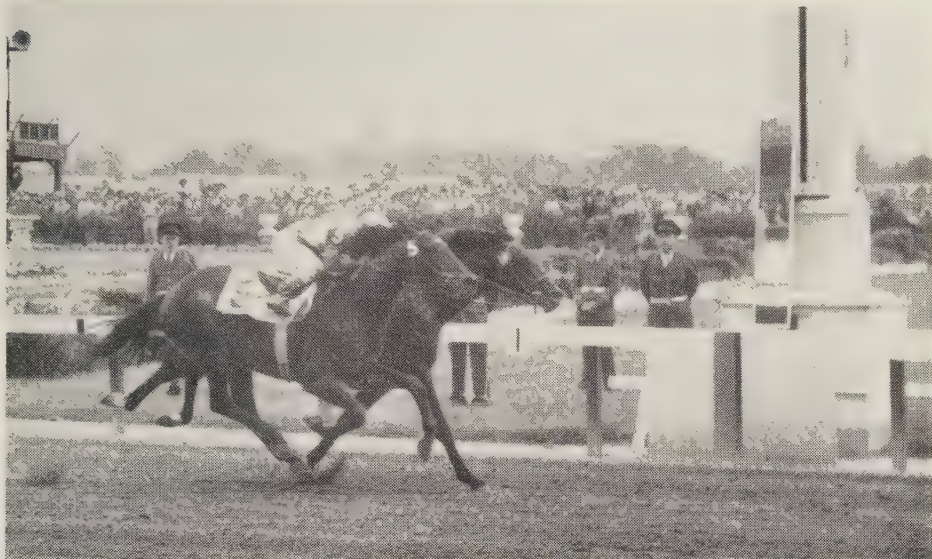
Federal Hill, game and generous but now getting beyond his best distance, was still half-lapped on Iron Liege when they reached the last furlong. But *Gallant Man, running faster than anything else in the field, had drawn even with Federal Hill, and Round Table and Bold Ruler were only half a length farther back. The others were soon left behind, but *Gallant Man gradually narrowed the margin between him and Iron Liege.

The two colts were nearly even at the sixteenth-pole when Shoemaker stood up straight in the irons, realized his mistake at once, and resumed his driving.

The finish photograph showed Iron Liege with a short-head advantage. The two leaders were nearly three lengths ahead of Round Table, which was three lengths ahead of the favored Bold Ruler, fourth in the field of nine. Shoemaker's mistake apparently—but not certainly—had cost *Gallant Man the race, since the little colt was getting the lead just when the jockey stood up.

In any case, Iron Liege became Calumet Farm's sixth Kentucky Derby winner, following Whirlaway, Pensive, Citation, Ponder, and Hill Gail, all bred at the famous white-fenced estate just outside of Lexington, Ky. His time for the $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles was 2:02 $\frac{1}{2}$, four-fifths slower than Whirlaway's track record made in 1941, and two-fifths faster than the average of the six most recent previous renewals of the classic. Rarely, if ever, had a Derby winner beaten four colts equal in class to *Gallant Man, Round

Iron Liege won Calumet Farm's sixth Kentucky Derby by a short head from °Gallant Man (No. 5), whose jockey mistook the sixteenth-pole for the finish, as owner Ralph Lowe had dreamed he would.



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Table, Bold Ruler, and Federal Hill. First money was \$107,950 net.

The Derby was Iron Liege's first victory in an added-money race. It was not his last, but none of his later races affirmed his superiority over any of the three colts which took down the minor portions of the Derby purse.

In the Preakness Stakes at Pimlico on May 18 Iron Liege was a slight favorite, at 13 to 10, over Bold Ruler, which went off at 7 to 5. Preference for the Calumet colt was based on his workout of a mile in 1:37½ on May 14 and on Bold Ruler's unimpressive showing when he won the 1¼-mile Preakness Prep on May 13. Bold Ruler made all the running, and though it took him 45½ seconds to get the last 3½ furlongs, Iron Liege made no gain in the stretch and finished second, beaten two lengths and holding second place by only a neck over Inside Tract. Promised Land, Nah Hiss, Inswept, and Federal Hill were the others. Time for the 1 3/16 miles was 1:56½.

Iron Liege had no further competition with a top-flight 3-year-old until his

last race of the year, but he continued to turn in good races.

He took up 126 pounds and defeated Clem (118) by a nose for the Jersey Stakes at Garden State Park on May 25, making all the pace and running the nine furlongs in the excellent time of 1:48. The two leaders at the finish were eight lengths ahead of We Trust (111), which was third, just ahead of °Lucky Dip (112), One-Eyed King (114), and Promised Land (118). The winner's stablemate Barbizon (122) was ninth in the field of 11 runners. First money was \$44,300.

Jimmy Jones had only a short while to consider whether to run Iron Liege in the Belmont Stakes of June 15. After the Jersey Stakes he found soreness around the splint bone on the colt's right fore leg. The soreness soon was minimized by poultices and cold tubs, but the chance for Belmont Park's 1½-mile classic was gone. Iron Liege had five more races in 1957, two at Arlington Park, three at Washington Park.

When the Laurance Armour Memorial

Stakes was run on June 29, Hartack was at Delaware Park riding Princess Turia to victory in the Delaware Handicap, and Dave Erb was given the mount on Iron Liege (126). Erb took him to the outside on the turn and drove him past half a dozen horses in the stretch to gain a head decision over the front-running Greek Game (123). Two lengths back, Manteau (120) took third place by a nose from Mister Jive (120). Etonian (117) was next, and the winner's stablemate Barbizon (120) was last in the field of eight. Time for the seven furlongs on a good track was 1:24%.

Iron Liege now had won three sweepstakes by margins of two noses and a head, but his luck ran out in the Arlington Classic. This one-mile test was run on a slow track, and as usual there was jockeying for the privilege of the firmest part of the course. Hartack following instructions, got the best path, well out from the rail. The strategy appeared good enough at the eighth-pole, where Greek Game (120), Iron Liege (123), and Clem (117) were heads apart. Greek Game was dropping back after having made the pace, and Clem was on the rail, in the deepest going.

But Clem, by going where Iron Liege was not allowed to go, had gained an advantage of several lengths in distance traversed, and he finished more stoutly in the slow part of the track than did the odds-on favorite on the fast. His margin at the end was 1% lengths, and there was a similar interval between Iron Liege and Manteau (117), which headed Greek Game at the end. The other runners were Better Bee (117), Barbizon (120), and Jet Colonel (117). "We threw that one away," Ben Jones said later.

The one-mile Sheridan Handicap of August 3 at Washington Park was run on a sloppy track, and the result controverted the form of the Classic. Iron Liege (126), after running with the early pace, took a four-length lead in the upper stretch and was allowed to coast across the finish line two lengths ahead

of Joe Price (112), with Clem (124) third, another length and a quarter to the rear. Unplaced were Better Bee (115), Ezgo (114), Greek Game (119), Rajputana (114½), Jet Colonel (113), and *Springhead (111). The mile was run in 1:37.

In the six-furlong Clang Handicap of August 26 Iron Liege (121) went against older horses and received five pounds by the scale from Swoon's Son (130), the odds-on favorite. Craigwood (116) did the first quarter in :22, and Iron Liege, starting more slowly than usual, was six horses and ten lengths back as Dogoon (115) hit the top of the stretch after a half in :45. Hartack got a powerful response in the last quarter, and Iron Liege was second in a four-horse blanket finish. Flight History (114) won by a neck; *King Bruce II (111) and Craigwood were third and fourth, ahead of Swoon's Son, Royal Sting (114), Greek Game (3, 116), Munchausen (115), and Dogoon (115). The leaders had slowed down to a :25% rate for the last quarter, and the final time was 1:10%.

The \$100,000-added American Derby, 1 3/16 miles on the grass course, was run five days later. Round Table (126) was even-money favorite, and he galloped to a four-length victory, his 1:55 time missing by two-fifths of a second the track record made by Swaps in the 1955 renewal. Iron Liege (126), second, had been close on the winner in the early running, but he lost ground in the stretch. Ekaba (120) was 3% lengths back, followed by *Martini II (120), Better Bee (123), Bureaucracy (123), Golden One (120), and Melson (120).

This was Iron Liege's last race of the year. His effort against Round Table "took something out of him," and the trainer waited until the following January before putting him into competition again. He was about the fifth-best 3-year-old of the year, after Bold Ruler, *Gallant Man, Round Table, and Gen. Duke, but all these—in whatever order they were ranked—were exceptional

colts. On a soft track Iron Liege presumably was better than Round Table. On the day of the Kentucky Derby he was superior to all of them, if only the order of finish was admitted as evidence.

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Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	8	2	1	1	4	\$ 10,705
1957	3	17	8	5	3	1	312,625
		25	10	6	4	5	\$323,330

ITOBE, b. c., 1953, Brookfield or Better Self-Isgoot, by *Rustom Sirdar. Brookfield Farms (Harry Z. Isaacs), breeder and owner; Edward I. Kelly, trainer. —

Running ten of his 11 races at six furlongs in 1957, Ito be won a pair of stakes and established himself as a very quick sprinter. In June he had a reputation which put him 14 pounds under Decathlon.

Ito be returned from winter quarters in Columbia, S. C., to make his first start in a stakes event, Laurel's Capitol Handicap, contested on April 1. He carried 113 pounds and finished three-quarters of a length behind Solid Gem (105). In his next engagement, Delaware Park's Wilmington Handicap on May 29, he carried 116 pounds, led all the way, and defeated Nahodah (126) by four lengths, with Princess Turia (117) another 1½ lengths back. In Monmouth Park's Oceanport Handicap, Decathlon was there to bar the door. Decathlon (130) beat Ito be (116) by three-quarters of a length, setting a new track record of 1:08½ for six furlongs. Ito be also bettered the old mark of 1:09.

Ito be now made his only race of the season at more than six furlongs. Carrying 122 pounds in Belmont Park's seven-furlong Roseben Handicap, he set the pace to the eighth-pole, but in the last furlong three horses got past him, War Piper (113), *St. Amour II (115), and Nahodah (126).

Best of his five remaining races was

in Belmont Park's Fall Highweight Handicap, down the Widener Course on September 2. Carrying 114 pounds, he led all the way, beating Commendation (116) by 1½ lengths, with Gay Warrior (117) third. In his only other stakes placing he was third to Decathlon (133) and Nan's Mink (112) in the Princeton Handicap on October 30, beaten 1½ lengths under 116 pounds. In three seasons Ito be won 11 of 27 races, placed in eight races, and earned \$78,345.

P. O'B.

JABNEH, b. h., 1952, Bimelech-Belle-soeur, by *Beau Pere. Laudy L. Lawrence, breeder; Mrs. E. E. Bankhead, owner; P. S. Goodwin, trainer. 113

Running only on the turf in 1957, Jabneh had his best year. In 1956 he had experimented with grass racing, and he had won the Longfellow Handicap at Monmouth Park and was third in the New York Handicap at Belmont Park.

Jabneh had four races behind him when he tackled a field of 17 in the 1½-mile Hialeah Turf Handicap, for which he had 118 pounds. He put his considerable speed to good use, going to the front at the outset and leading all the way. Oligarchy (107) was closest at the finish, two lengths back of the winner and a neck in front of *Blue Choir (122), which was disqualified for jamming the field at the last turn.

The rich event was the only victory of the season for Jabneh. In the 1½-mile Dixie Handicap he was second by 1½ lengths to *Akbar Khan (113), to which he gave seven pounds, and in the 1½-mile Olympic Handicap he was second by 1½ lengths to *Tudor Era (113), to which he gave a pound.

Jabneh was bred by L. L. Lawrence, who in 1940 had sent five French-bred yearling fillies to Louis B. Mayer with the understanding that Lawrence was to retain the first filly from each mare. *Donatrice's first filly was Bellesoeur,

which won the Spinaway and Astarita Stakes the only year she raced. Belle-soeur's third foal, born March 16, 1953, at the late C. F. White's Elsmeade Farm, Lexington, Ky., was Jabneh. Lawrence sold him to Mrs. E. E. Bankhead in 1955, the day before his fourth in the Belmont Stakes.

Jabneh did not race at two. In 1957 he won one of 19 races, placed six times, and earned \$97,525, giving a three-season record of six wins in 51 starts, total earnings of \$138,850. P. O'B.

JESTER, b. c., 1955, Tom Fool-Golden Apple, by Eight Thirty. Erdenheim Farms Co. (George D. Widener), breeder; George D. Widener, owner; W. F. Mulholland, trainer. 124

George Widener, whose dark-and-light-blue racing silks had been seen for some six years, purchased a chestnut filly by Ultimus out of a high-class Broomstick mare for \$8,700 from Miss Elizabeth Daingerfield's consignment to the 1919 Saratoga sales. Appropriately named, Last Straw made her racing debut on May 17, 1920. Clarence Kummer got her away in front and she was never headed. Trained by Jack Joyner, Last Straw proved to be a capable performer in New York, listing among her 11 victories the Far Rockaway and Jamaica Inaugural Handicaps. As a broodmare she proved to be an excellent investment for the director of the Land Title Bank and Trust Co.

Last Straw, which was carrying her first foal when she won her last races, produced three stakes winners, Finite, Chicstraw, and Sovietta, and became the ancestress of stakes winners Plebiscite, Red Sonnet, Sungari, Marabout, Overdrawn, Exploded, and others. Bred to Widener's Jamestown, conqueror of Equipoise in the Saratoga Special and Futurity of 1930, she produced Thorn Apple, a winner of seven races. Thorn Apple's best showing probably was in the Matron Stakes of 1939 in which she

finished third, beaten 4½ lengths by Christiana Stable's Miss Ferdinand (dam of Andre and Sea Snack) and Greentree's Piquet (dam of Capot). Thorn Apple produced three good winners, including the stakes winner Scrutinized.

To the cover of Eight Thirty, Thorn Apple gave Golden Apple, a winner of \$7,875 in two seasons. Golden Apple beat colts in a six-furlong affair as a 3-year-old, and in the beaten field was the Blue Larkspur gelding Three Rings, which went on to win nearly \$300,000. Retired to Widener's 400-acre Old Kenney Farm near Lexington, Ky., Golden Apple produced the winners Golden Meteor and Mandil, third in the Chesapeake Stakes. Golden Apple's best foal was the result of a mating with Tom Fool, and the colt, appropriately, was dropped on April Fool's Day, 1955.

Jester inherited little of his sire's sturdy physique. His slowness probably came from his dam. He had large, bony ankles from birth, but they never troubled him. When he was three weeks old farm manager William Bugg noticed a slight swelling on the front of his off knee.

"I thought he had just been playing the fool in the paddock and bumped his knee on a water tank. You know how foals love to throw a leg over the top and splash," Bugg said. "We painted it pretty good for a few days; but when the lump failed to go down, we called the vet, Dr. E. W. Thomas."

Dr. Thomas and Dr. O. B. Murphy, a Lexington orthopedic surgeon, operated on the knee and removed an inch-long fibrous tumor which had formed on a ligament. The leg was in a cast for three weeks.

"Within a month, he was back with the rest of the foals playing around the water tank," Bugg said. "To my knowledge, the knee hasn't bothered him since."

As a yearling, Jester was broken at historic Erdenheim Farm near Philadelphia, where Aristides Welch stood *Lea-

Greentree Stud's Tom Fool, winner of the 1951 Futurity and distinguished by later performance as the best of his generation, got the Futurity winner Jester in his first crop of foals, which also included Tom Fool's son.



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mington and where Pierre Lorillard's Parole and Iroquois were foaled. That winter Jester was sent to Florida with the Widener racing stable, trained by Bert Mulholland, a veteran of 35 years with Widener.

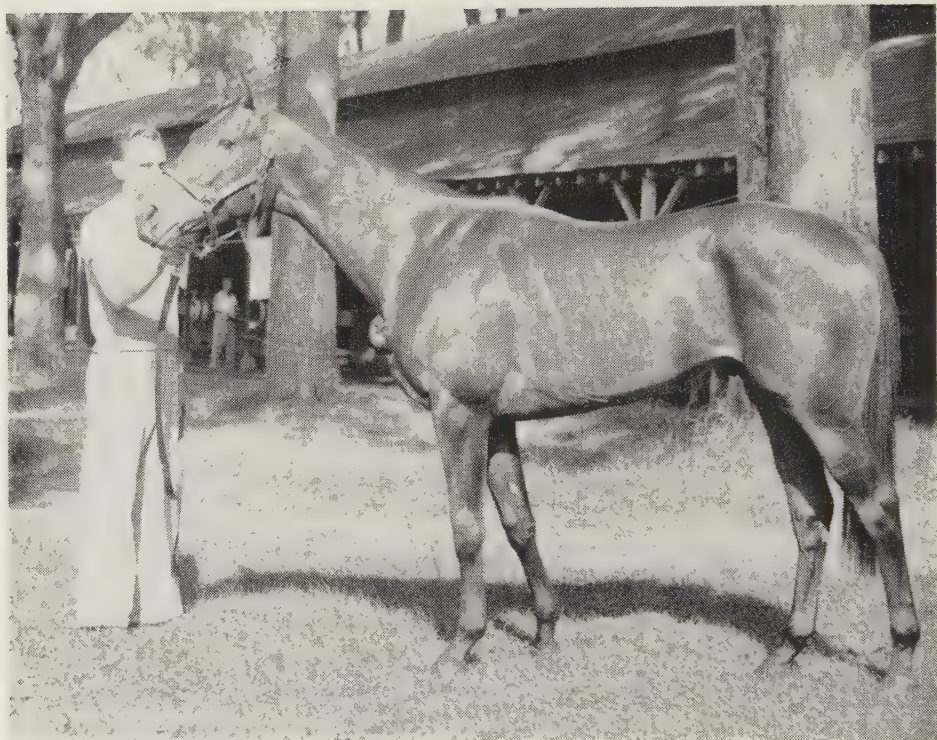
Jester became the first starter in Tom Fool's first crop of nine American 2-year-olds. He made his debut in a 4½-furlong dash down the Widener chute on May 30. He ran evenly, fifth all the way in a bulky field of 19. Nasco was the winner, by a neck over Rose Trellis, which later captured the Hopeful Stakes.

A week later Jester defeated 10 other maidens in a five-furlong affair at Belmont Park. Never far back, he attempted to drift to the outside in the last three-sixteenths, but wore down Louis d'Or and Refugee to win by 2½ lengths, going

away. Misty Flight was fourth. Jester's improvement over his initial showing, in which he ran a bit greenly, was attributed in part to the addition of blinkers.

His winning time of :56½ was far and away the best turned in by any of the candidates for the colt division of the National Stallion Stakes on June 26, and he was made an odds-on favorite for the stakes. Myron Goodwin's Jimmer set the pace, splashing the first half in :44½, but Eddie Arcaro had only to move his hands for Jester to take over in the final furlong. Under urging, Jester drew clear and won by two lengths in :56½, three-fifths of a second slower than the stakes record. For Arcaro it was the first victory after 31 losing mounts.

"He seemed a little unsure of himself high up the chute where there was water



Allen F. Brewer Jr.

JESTER

JESTER, b. c., 1955	Tom Fool, b., 1949	{	Menow	{	Pharamond II	{ Phalaris Selene
						{ Alcibiades { Supremus *Regal Roman
		{	Gaga	{	*Bull Dog	{ *Teddy Plucky Liege
						{ Alpoise { Equipoise Laughing Queen
	Golden Apple, ch., 1945	{	Eight Thirty	{	Pilate	{ Friar Rock *Herodias
						{ Dinner Time { High Time Seaplane
		{	Thorn Apple	{	Jamestown	{ St. James Mlle. Dazie
						{ Last Straw { Ultimus Broom Flower

on the track," Arcaro said after the race. "But he felt so strong, I just let him get used to it. When I did ask him to run, he just pulled away from Jimmer easily. I think I might have ridden a real good colt today."

Jester again was odds-on when he came out for the 67th running of the 5½-furlong Great American Stakes on July 22 at Belmont. Second choice was the flashy Bolero U. Li'l Fella, Jewel's Reward and Rose Trellis rounded out the small field.

Maine Chance Farm's Jewel's Reward, fresh from a victory over Li'l Fella in the Tremont Stakes, broke on top with Bolero U. and Jester in close pursuit. Jester collided with Rose Trellis a few jumps out of the gate and the latter veered to the extreme outside. Bolero U. and Jewel's Reward began to slow down about a furlong from home, and Jester took over the lead. He seemed about to draw away when Li'l Fella, with strong handling by Bobby Ussery, closed with a rush in the last sixteenth. About 50 yards from the wire Li'l Fella hooked the leader and eased by to win by a neck. Rose Trellis finished three-quarters of a length behind Jester while Jewel's Reward was fourth by a similar margin, a length and a half in front of Bolero U.

Jester's first race around a turn was in the winner-take-all Saratoga Special on August 12. Again he was an odds-on favorite, this time over Greentree's Turpitude, E. P. Taylor's *Grey Monarch, and Charfran Stable's Dark Tale. *Grey Monarch assumed command soon after leaving the gate and never relinquished the lead throughout the six-furlong trip, giving Taylor his second straight victory in the Special, won the year before by Nearctic. Jester broke fast and trailed the Canadian horse by a length down the back side, then tended to drift out entering the stretch. He had a clear shot at *Grey Monarch, and Eric Guerin worked him with determination but was unable to get closer than three-quarters of a length.

Two days before the Hopeful, Jester worked unaccompanied, without blinkers, in :35%, :47%, and 1:00%, handily, but on his way back to the barn the lead pony took a swipe at him, cutting the right fore ankle. It was a superficial scratch, but the ankle filled, and on the morning of the Hopeful Jester was withdrawn. He was eased in his training but was ready to go again in the Cowdin Stakes at Belmont on September 16.

The Cowdin probably was the most significant 2-year-old race of the year in that the order of finish—Jewel's Reward by a head, Nadir by 1¼ lengths over Jester—was the order in which they were ranked in the Experimental Free Handicap.

Jester got off to his poorest start, last in a field of 13, but was hustled into contention by Paul Bailey and was coasting along in fifth position at the quarter-pole. He again drifted wide on the turn and, although closing with his usual determination, he was unable to overtake the top pair. Jewel's Reward, with 124 pounds, was giving seven pounds to both Nadir and Jester.

The Futurity was a legacy to Jester. His sire had won it in 1951; his grandsire, Menow, had won it in 1937; his maternal grandsire, Eight Thirty, had finished second in 1938; and his granddam's sire, Jamestown, had won it in 1930. Jester was made third choice for the 68th running of the Futurity, contested September 28. Fred Hooper's Alhambra, beaten only by Jewel's Reward in eight previous starts, was an even-money favorite, while Claiborne Farm's Nadir, whose narrow loss in the Cowdin was his only defeat in four previous starts, was second choice.

It was a jostling start. Alhambra bore out from No. 1 post position and Nadir swerved in from No. 5. Jester and Crasher were caught in the pinch some 25 feet out of the gate. Jester had the speed to get out, but Bill Boland, on Crasher, pulled back. Alhambra zoomed to the front with Judge close behind and Jester a length and a half off the lead. In

the last furlong Alhambra began to tire. Misty Flight took a brief lead, but Jester rushed by on the inside to score a one-length victory. Time for the 6½ furlongs was 1:16½. A foul was claimed by Boland against the winner, but after viewing the films the stewards ruled that the bumping at the start was more the fault of Nadir, which finished fifth, and the numbers stood.

The Futurity was Jester's last race of the year. Preparing for the Champagne Stakes, he rapped his right front ankle while working a mile in 1:41 on October 6, and it was decided to call it a season. His ankles were fired after he had moved to Hialeah Park.

Jester stood 15½ hands tall in the fall of his 2-year-old year, but he was lightly constructed and Mulholland did not expect him to fill out to any extent. In seven starts, Jester had won three, finished second twice and third once, earning \$114,430. K. H.

JET ACTION, ch. h., 1951, Jet Pilot-Busher, by War Admiral. Maine Chance Farm (Mrs. Elizabeth N. Graham), breeder and owner; W. L. McCue, trainer. ARH 1955-56. —

There were nearly 3,000 horses in and out of the New York area in 1957, and few were as handsome as Jet Action, especially the afternoon of the six-furlong Paumonok Handicap, April 1. He hadn't raced since October, 1956, but one never would have known it. Carrying 123 pounds, he stayed close to the pace of Pine Echo (110), went ahead when it pleased him to win by 1½ lengths in 1:11½.

The Paumonok was not the best race ever run by Jet Action, but it did show his class to good advantage. Very few horses step into handicap competition without a preparation, carry top weight, and win as impressively as he did.

Frank E. Kilroe, the New York handicapper, thought so well of the race that for the 1¼-mile Excelsior Handicap Jet

Action and Midafternoon shared top weight of 126 pounds. The latter won in 1:43½, and although Jet Action finished fifth, beaten less than three lengths, his performance was not a bad one.

The Excelsior was Jet Action's last start in competition, though he did remain in training for a while. He was to make his first season in stud in 1958 at Maine Chance Farm, Lexington, Ky. Jet Action's winning race in 1957 earned him \$15,850. His five-season totals: 40 starts, 11 wins, three seconds, three thirds, \$308,225 earned. P. O'B.

JET COLONEL, b. c., 1954, Jet Pilot-Queen of May, by °Challenger II. Reverie Knoll Farm (Freeman Keyes), breeder and owner; Frank Sanders, trainer. ARH 1956. 113

In one of Jet Colonel's first races he beat Barbizon a nose in the Hutcheson Stakes, 6½ furlongs. It was his only stakes victory of the season.

Three times Jet Colonel attempted a mile and once he tried 1¼ miles, but the only races he won were at six and seven furlongs against competitors a cut below the top performers. Perhaps his best race was in the Chicagoan Stakes at one mile during the Balmoral meeting at Washington Park early in June. Close to the early pace, Jet Colonel (122) took a 1½-length lead in mid-stretch, but at that point he faltered and lost by 1¼ lengths to Better Bee (118). The track was termed slow, and it was somewhat muddy. The time was 1:38.

Jet Colonel's best racing was in the spring and early summer, when he was second to Manteau in the Domino Stakes, second in the Chicagoan, second to Greek Game in an overnight. From that point forward, he won two of eight races, and in his defeats he once was beaten by four lengths and five times was put down by margins of from 6½ to 18 lengths. In his last race of the year, the 1¼-mile Benjamin Franklin Handicap he ran third to Bold Ruler, beaten an estimated 18 lengths.

Jet Colonel won four of 17 races, earned \$40,422 in 1957, bringing his total earnings to \$96,467. J. A.

JET GIRL, b. m., 1952, Jet Pilot-Up the Hill, by *Jacopo. Leslie Combs II, breeder; Ralph Lowe, owner; John A. Nerud, trainer. —

Jet Girl, a half-sister to the stakes-winning filly Pail of Water, turned in a useful season of work in 1957 and came within a neck of being a stakes winner. Her earnings of just over \$20,000 did not reflect her true value to owner Ralph Lowe, who had plans for breeding her.

Jet Girl, sold at the 1953 Keeneland summer sales for \$12,500, placed in three major stakes in 1957. In Hialeah Park's 1½-mile Black Helen Handicap, for which she had 103 pounds, Jet Girl opened a five-length lead, then had nothing left to stave off the drive of Amoret (118), winner by 1¼ lengths. Third was Gay Life.

In the six-furlong Correction Handicap, a distance more to her liking, Jet Girl (109) ran in fifth and sixth place, about four lengths off the lead, to the eighth-pole, and although she improved her position thereafter she lost ground, finishing third, about seven lengths behind Little Pache (116). Infatuation (120) was second.

In the six-furlong Champlain Handicap, run in the slop at Jamaica May 15, Jet Girl (109) got off poorly, but she closed very well to be a neck behind Happy Princess (116), with Tarquilla (112) a head farther back in third place.

In Jet Girl's two winning races in 1957 she carried 111 pounds to a 3½-length victory over Equableu (106) and carried 121 pounds to a neck victory over Prompt Impulse (112), both victories being at six furlongs.

In four seasons Jet Girl won eight of 51 races, placed 14 times, and earned \$52,215. Her best campaign was in 1957, when she earned \$23,220 of the total. P. O'B.

JEWEL'S REWARD, b. c., 1955, Jet Jewel-Belle Jeep, by War Jeep. Maine Chance Farm (Mrs. Elizabeth N. Graham), breeder and owner; Ivan H. Parke, trainer. 126

Elizabeth Nightingale Graham is as much a phenomenon in Thoroughbred racing and breeding as she is in the business world, where her pin-money name is Elizabeth Arden. She has an extraordinary affection for, and loyalty to, the horses she breeds and owns. She has her own ideas regarding treatment of injuries (with Elizabeth Arden products) and training procedures, to the extent that most horsemen are afflicted with a rather limited capacity to agree with her over a period long enough to establish a working relationship.

Some of the trainers hired by Mrs. Graham have resigned, or have been dismissed, before they got to the barn. Some have had a relatively long tenure, and a few have stayed with her for months and months. The in-and-out procession has been constant enough, however, that Mike Barry's joke in the *Kentucky Irish-American*, after Maine Chance Farm had hired Ivan Parke as trainer, needed no diagramming. After all, said Mike, Parke had been with Fred Hooper for only 14 years, and he wanted to settle down to a permanent job.

For horsemen, one of the most disturbing aspects of Mrs. Graham's independent behavior is the not infrequent evidence that she knows what she is doing. Jewel's Reward was one of the more aggravating cases in point.

In the summer of 1956 Maine Chance Farm catalogued a dozen yearlings to be sold at Saratoga. One sold for \$24,000, but most of the prices were rather low. When a good-looking bay colt by Jet Jewel out of Belle Jeep left the ring after a final bid of \$3,500, the sales slip was signed by Mickey Stewart, of Paris, Ky., but the colt had been "bought in" for the account of the consignor. Sales companies make a practice of frowning on vendors who bid on their



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JEWEL'S REWARD

JEWEL'S REWARD, b. c., 1955	Jet Jewel, b., 1949	Jet Pilot	°Blenheim II	{ Blandford Malva
			Black Wave	{ °Sir Gallahad III Black Curl
		Crepe Myrtle	Equipoise	{ Pennant Swinging
			Myrtlewood	{ Blue Larkspur °Frizeur
	Belle Jeep, b., 1949	War Jeep	War Admiral	{ Man o' War Brushup
			Alyearn	{ Blue Larkspur Yearning
		Model Beauty	°Blenheim II	{ Blandford Malva
			Lady Wisdom	{ °Sir Gallahad III Minerva

own stock. The frowning usually is ineffective, and it could not possibly have ruffled the mistress of Maine Chance. "I knew he was a better horse than that," she said, very sweetly.

As the bidding had indicated, horsemen had disagreed with her judgment again, and once too often. They had good reason for the disagreement, but it was only the reason of men.

The catalogue had made the best case it could for the yearling's sire. Jet Jewel, it said, was a half-brother to Myrtle Charm. Mrs. Graham had bought Jet Jewel, a son of her Kentucky Derby winner Jet Pilot, from the consignment of Leslie Combs II to the 1950 summer sale of yearlings at Keeneland. Her bid was \$32,000, the highest price of that year for a colt, though one filly went for \$35,000. The 1956 catalogue, of course, drew no attention to the fact that Jet Jewel was still a maiden when he was retired to the stud after having made only six starts, or to the extenuating circumstance that pneumonia had damaged his respiratory system.

Jewel's Reward was the third foal of the unraced mare Belle Jeep, which, like Jet Jewel, had *Blenheim II for a grand-sire. The catalogue showed her as a sister to the Colleen Stakes winner Late Model and a half-sister to the good 2-year-old Beauguerre. Her first foal, Lord Jeep, dead-headed with Decathlon for the John Alden Handicap in 1957, much too late for his name to be in bold face type in the catalogue setting forth the credentials of the yearling which came to be called Jewel's Reward. The family, descended from an American mare of unknown ancestry on the distaff side, had its best flowering in the late William Woodward's Minerva, dam of the Belmont Stakes winner Faireno and other good ones, granddam of Prince Simon, and third dam of Belle Jeep.

Jewel's Reward had been foaled March 10, 1955, at Leslie Combs II's Spendthrift Farm, Lexington, Ky., where Idun, the best 2-year-old filly of 1957, was foaled a few weeks later. It was in the

fall of 1955 that Mrs. Graham moved her stock from Spendthrift to her own Maine Chance Farm, formerly a part of Crown Crest Farm and before that a part of Coldstream Stud.

The best of the colt's credentials were in the individual, rather than in his ancestry, and it probably was from his physical characteristics that Mrs. Graham reached her indisputable conclusion that he was worth more than the \$3,000 offered by the underbidder at Saratoga. He came out in 1957 as a strikingly handsome 2-year-old, combining good substance with fine quality, about 16 hands tall, deep through the heart, with powerful hind quarters. The neck and head were beautifully set on. The legs were fine, the pasterns a trifle "straight." Brightness and animation characterized the youngster's appearance, and late in 1957 Ivan Parke said of him, "He's got the best disposition of any young horse I've ever had." A part of this disposition was strong competitive spirit, and another part an inclination to do no more than was necessary.

Jewel's Reward was perhaps the only divisional champion of recent years which never went to the post as favorite in the betting. He was precipitated almost at once into high-class competition and went through the season without finding, or looking for, an easy race. He had several trainers of record, but his owner gave the directions, at least until Ivan Parke took over the stable near the end of August.

The one overnight race in which Jewel's Reward appeared was his first start, at Jamaica on May 6, when he finished third to Etoka and Whirling Billie in a field of maidens at five furlongs. He was sent to Garden State Park for the Cherry Hill Stakes of May 22, and was better than 20 to 1 in the field of nine. Breaking from the outside post position, he ran wide all the way, and at the turn into the stretch he bore out still farther under Joe Culmone's left-handed whipping. Despite the loss of ground, he made up half a dozen lengths and finished fourth to Nisht Amool,

Bolero U., and Li'l Fella, beaten a length and a half. Nisht Amool ran the five furlongs in :59% on a slow track.

In the Juvenile Stakes of June 5, five furlongs over the straight course at Belmont Park, Jewel's Reward, ridden by Raul Sterling, was one of the three-horse betting field, which started at 7.45 to 1. He held close to the 22-second early pace of Jimmer, took a narrow lead as the first half-mile was completed in :44%, than gave way in the last furlong to Li'l Fella, which beat him by a length and a half. Levelation, beaten a head for second money, was followed by Nisht Amool, Nasco, Jimmer, Rose Trellis, and seven others. Li'l Fella's time for the five furlongs was a fast :56%.

Bolero U. (122) was an even-money favorite for the 5½-furlong Tyro Stakes

at Monmouth Park July 4, and Jewel's Reward (111), with R. L. Stevenson up, was 11.20 to 1. On this occasion Jewel's Reward was nervous and fractious in the saddling paddock, but again he was far better than the horse-players had ranked him. Under pressure all the way, he finally bested Jimmer (115) late in the stretch, then fell prey to Bolero U., which won by a length and a half. Behind Jimmer, third, were Silver Ship (115), Brother Snob (108), Hubcap (122), Plion (115), Nala (115), and four others. Jimmer and Jewel's Reward had burned the first quarter in :21%. Bolero U.'s time for the 5½ furlongs was 1:03%, a new track record.

Jewel's Reward (114) gained his first victory on July 10, in the 5½-furlong Tremont Stakes, run for the first time at Belmont Park, over the Widener



J. C. Meadors

Jet Jewel, whose parents and grandparents were all top-class runners, was the highest-priced colt of the 1950 yearling auctions. Illness ruined him as a runner. Jewel's Reward "made" him as a sire.

Course. He was third choice, at 5.65 to 1, after Bolero U. (126) and Li'l Fella (122), and was piloted by Walter Blum, his fifth rider in five starts. The seven-horse field ran as a pack most of the way, and in the last furlong Jewel's Reward gained a half-length advantage over Li'l Fella, which was slightly more than a length ahead of Louis d'Or (118), third.

Unplaced were Refugee (114), Bolero U., Ahmed (114), and Eastern Hobo (122). The winner's time, against the wind, was 1:04%. Jewel's Reward had swerved at the break, crowding the two horses on the inside, Refugee and Bolero U., and Li'l Fella had borne in badly during the last furlong, but there was no disqualification.

Despite this victory, Jewel's Reward was 12.10 to 1 and 10.30 to 1 in his next two races, in both of which he finished fourth, after having been in contention until the last furlong. With 122 pounds, he was behind Li'l Fella (112), Jester (122), and Rose Trellis (114) in the Great American Stakes over the straight course at Belmont. When Blum pulled up, he was found to have twisted a plate and left it hanging by one nail, but there were no cuts.

In the \$50,000-added, six-furlong Sapling Stakes, run August 7, at Monmouth Park, Jewel's Reward (124) was one of five colts which passed the eighth-pole almost together, but he dropped back and finished almost four lengths behind the winner, Plion (119). Li'l Fella (124) was second, A Dragon Killer (119) third. Hubcap (122), Whitley (113), and Bolero U. (124) were among the unplaced. This was Jewel's Reward's last poor race of the year, bar one.

Mrs. Graham, though she knew better than the bidders and non-bidders at Saratoga, still had underestimated Jewel's Reward. She had dropped him out of the (Belmont) Futurity, and could not regain his eligibility for that race; now she made him a supplementary entry for the \$75,000-added Washington Park Futurity, and later she was to pay

supplementary nomination fees for the Champagne Stakes and the Garden State Stakes.

For the Futurity at Washington Park, run over a good track on August 24, Jewel's Reward (119) was ridden for the first time by William Hartack, a noted rouser of runners, but even so he went off at 12.40 to 1. Hartack timed him to explode in the stretch. Fifth and about five lengths off the pace at the quarter-pole, he was still third and three lengths back at the eighth-pole, where the odds-on Alhambra (122) had replaced Elegante (116) in the lead. These two came back to him in a slow finish, and Jewel's Reward defeated Alhambra by $1\frac{1}{4}$ lengths for a net first money of \$92,050 (gross, \$100,800). Strong Ruler (116) was third, ahead of Elegante, Music Man Fox (119), Unique Commando (116), and three others. Time for the six furlongs was 1:11%.

W. L. (Duke) McCue, an efficient and colorful horseman who died later in the year, saddled Jewel's Reward for his Washington Park race, though Mrs. Graham herself was credited with having directed the training. Immediately after the race McCue went back to Kentucky to break the Maine Chance yearlings, and Ivan H. Parke took over as trainer. Mrs. Graham had always admired his handling of horses, and she was going to keep him, she announced. Parke was still her trainer six months later.

Hartack rode Jewel's Reward (124) to another important victory in the Cowdin Stakes at Belmont Park September 16, pressing the hot early pace of Jimmer (117), going ahead in the stretch, and holding off the closing charge of Nadir (117) to win by a head. Nadir had gained nothing on the winner in the last sixteenth. Next across the line were Jester (117), Misty Flight (113), Wing Jet (117), Jimmer, and Rose Trellis (124). Yemen (111) was last of the 13 runners. The $6\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs was run in 1:17%.

For the one-mile Champagne Stakes,

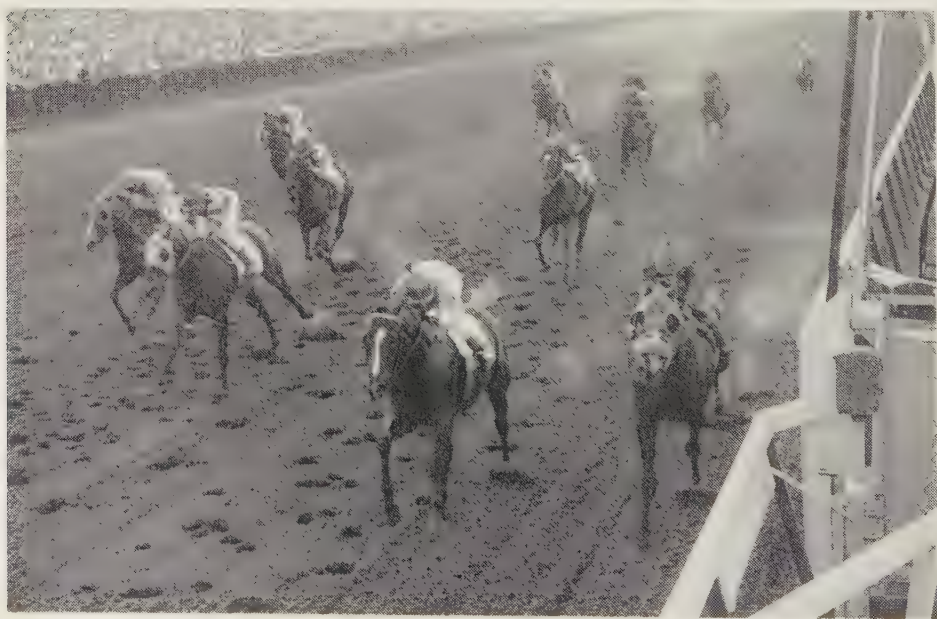
run at Belmont October 12. Hartack chose to ride Li'l Fella, and for the Garden State Stakes two weeks later he accepted the mount on Nadir. Mrs. Graham called him a "bad boy" and engaged a good boy, one W. Shoemaker. The Shoe held Jewel's Reward about two lengths off Alhambra's pace in the Champagne, sent him to the front in the stretch, and had enough horse left to ward off Misty Flight's late thrust by a neck. Rose Trellis took third place from the favored Li'l Fella, which had bucked his shins. Nadir, Alhambra, and Chance it Tony were next in the beaten field. Net first money was \$84,225; gross, \$92,975. Jewel's Reward did the mile in 1:37%.

Though he now had three successive victories to his credit and had taken the measure of the best 2-year-olds in the East, Jewel's Reward was third choice, at 4.20 to 1, for the 1½-mile Garden State Stakes at Garden State Park on October 26. For the first time in his

career he declined to enter the contest at any stage, and he finished seventh in the field of 13, more than five lengths behind the winner, Nadir. Two days before the race the trainer had noted a "slight bruise" on the right fore foot. He dismissed it as "nothing serious," but there remained the possibility that it was enough to account for the colt's climbing gait and unwillingness to extend himself.

Plans for giving Jewel's Reward his last race of the year in the Pimlico Futurity, another 1½-mile test at level weights, were held in abeyance for several days, during which the bruised foot made satisfactory recovery. The Pimlico race, despite its high value, drew only six runners to the post on November 23, but Jewel's Reward was second choice at 9 to 5. The Garden State favorite, Misty Flight, was even money; he was the only horse in the field that never put in a strong challenge.

Jewel's Reward broke from the outside position. Shoemaker allowed him to run



Bert and Richard Morgan

Jewel's Reward had stubborn courage under pressure. When Nadir (rail) challenged him in the Cowdin Stakes, he held a neck advantage through the last sixteenth. Jester was third, Misty Flight (outside) fourth.

with the pace all the way, but had him under strong restraint until he was ready for the showdown in the stretch, and took pains to keep him well out from the rail, in the firmest footing on the "good" track. The longshot Beau Priam had his head in front for about a hundred yards in the backstretch, and Nala and Staysail were slightly ahead of Jewel's Reward near the top of the homestretch and only heads behind him at the eighth-pole.

The homestretch battle was not as difficult as it appeared from the stands. Jewel's Reward was loafing happily with his ears pricked. Shoemaker had to remind him repeatedly that they were out for something more than fun, and near the end he drew away to win by a length from Nala. Staysail was third, two lengths back, three lengths ahead of Misty Flight. Beau Priam and Amber Tide were about eight lengths farther to the rear. As a result of Misty Flight going unplaced, Jewel's Reward paid \$5.60 to win, \$4.20 to place, and \$5.20 show.

Jewel's Reward ran the $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles in 1:44 $\frac{1}{2}$ on the off track, equaling the second-fastest time for the race at that distance, made by Oil Capitol on a fast track in 1949. In 1942 Count Fleet had won the Pimlico Futurity in 1:43 $\frac{1}{2}$.

The Futurity, though it had only \$50,000 added, had the largest gross of any race ever run in Maryland. There was \$115,347 net to the winner, bringing to a total of \$349,642 the first-season earnings of Jewel's Reward, which had won five of 12 starts, finished second twice, third once. The previous record for earnings by a 2-year-old was the \$277,132 collected by Hasty Road in 1953.

A small plurality of the Triangle Publications staff voted for Nadir as best of the 2-year-olds of 1957, but Jewel's Reward took first honors in the Thoroughbred Racing Associations and *Turf and Sport Digest* polls, in the Experimental Free Handicap, and in the accredited judgment of Elizabeth Nightingale Graham. J. A. E.

JIMMER, ch. c., 1955, Bolero—Our Bobbie, by *Flushing II. Mrs. M. Crawford, breeder; Myron N. Goodwin, owner; Harold H. Goodwin, trainer.

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In February, 1957, the star of the seven-horse stable of Myron N. Goodwin, Youngstown, Ohio, architect, was Board Man, winner of Hialeah Park's Juvenile Stakes. Board Man, bought as yearling for \$4,800, had earned \$18,825 in two races. Trainer Harold Goodwin (no relation to the owner) also had started one of the stable's more expensive yearling buys, the Bolero colt Jimmer, which had been purchased for \$10,600 at Saratoga. Jimmer had won his first start, a quarter-mile dash on January 10, and had been beaten a head by Edliss in his second, three furlongs on February 1. It wasn't long before he superseded Board Man as No. 1 in the stable.

Jimmer did not race again until May 14 at Garden State Park, where he beat the Florida-bred Hubcap seven lengths in a five-furlong affair run in :58 $\frac{1}{2}$, three-fifths of a second slower than the track mark.

Carrying 113 pounds in the five-furlong Cherry Hill Stakes, Jimmer ran a half-mile in :46 $\frac{1}{2}$, then tired, finishing unplaced to Nisht Amool (116), beaten four lengths. The winner's time on a slow track was :59 $\frac{1}{2}$. Two weeks later, on June 5, Jimmer lost Belmont Park's Juvenile Stakes in much the same fashion—leading to the last quarter, then surrendering to Li'l Fella and dropping out of the money positions.

On June 19 Jimmer beat Chance it Tony $3\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in a five-furlong charge down the Widener chute, and a week later he ran a strong second to Jester in the colt division of the National Stallion Stakes. The margin after five furlongs was two lengths, but it would have been smaller had not Jimmer persisted in bearing in toward the rail through the last furlong.

After doing a half-mile in :44 $\frac{1}{2}$, Jimmer finished third to Bolero U. and

Jewel's Reward in the 5½-furlong Tyro Stakes at the Monmouth Park, the winner setting a track record, and on August 17 at Saratoga he won the first of his two added-money races, the six-furlong Grand Union Hotel Stakes.

The second-largest crowd in Saratoga's history, 27,173, witnessed Jimmer's best race of the year. The drawing card that day was *Gallant Man and the 87th running of the Travers Stakes, and the performance of Jimmer was an excellent stage-setter for the oldest stakes in New York. Plion (122), the Sapling Stakes winner, was the choice of the crowd, but it was Jimmer (118) from gate to wire. Rattling off a first quarter in 23 seconds, Jimmer quickly pulled away from Louis d'Or (118), the Sanford Stakes winner. Increasing his lead around the bend, he went into the stretch well on top, coasting to the wire five lengths ahead of Plion.

Jimmer seemed to have the Hopeful Stakes in his pocket, and so strong did his chances appear that only six other colts faced him for the 6½-furlong stakes which annually concludes Saratoga's August meeting. Jimmer was a solid choice at 21-20.

A first quarter in :22½ let Jimmer get into the turn with a three-length spread over Louis d'Or and Rose Trellis, his nearest opponents. He still had his margin at the top of the straightaway. Rose Trellis and Louis d'Or had trouble coming off the turn, and by the time they straightened out for the stretch run Rose Trellis had carried Louis d'Or well past the middle of the track.

Jimmer seemed to have a decided edge from having saved so much ground along the rail, but he was not up to the task. Shortening stride in the last furlong, the colt was passed by Rose Trellis and nipped at the wire by Louis d'Or, which finished on the far outside of the track. It had taken Jimmer at least seven seconds to run the last sixteenth, and he finished more than 2½ lengths back of Rose Trellis.

In the Cowdin Stakes on September

16, the Goodwin colt again set the pace. He did a quarter in :22, a half in :45½, and dropped out of contention at the eighth-pole. Jewel's Reward (124), Nadir (117), Jester (117), Misty Flight (113), and Wing Jet (117) got past him. Jimmer finished in sixth place, beaten less than four lengths by the winner, Jewel's Reward.

Jimmer tried to concede an improving Whitley eight pounds in a six-furlong race on October 31, but again gave ground in the last furlong to be beaten 1½ lengths.

The stable returned to Florida, where Jimmer won his last race of the year. Carrying 122 pounds in Tropical Park's 5½-furlong De Soto Handicap, he took the advantage from Hubcap (115) after a half-mile and drew away to win by 3½ lengths. The record: 14 starts, five wins, three seconds, two thirds, \$53,050 earned. P. O'B.

JOCKO'S WALK, ch. c., 1954, Billings-Barracoon, by *Heliopolis. John A. Bell Jr., breeder; Jacques D. Wimpfheimer, owner; Woody Sedlacek, trainer. 110

Four of the five victories registered by Jocko's Walk in 1957 came at distances of nine furlongs or more, and his best race was his longest. Running 1½ miles under 107 pounds at Jamaica in the fall, Jocko's Walk led all the way and was timed in 2:45½, with his closest competitor a dozen lengths back. The Billings colt had run the same sort of race earlier at Belmont, carrying 107 pounds and winning by a neck over Promised Land (114) in 2:03 for 1¼ miles. Jocko's Walk was third, three lengths back of the same colt, in the 1½-mile Lawrence Realization for his first major stakes placing. On the last day of the New York season Jocko's Walk (110) was second to Oh Johnny (120) in the 2¼-mile Display Handicap. Jocko's Walk ran 49 times in two campaigns, winning seven races, placing in 12 others, and earning \$50,110. P. O'B.

JOE PRICE, b. c., 1954, *Noor-Countess Molly, by Menow. Mrs. Edward S. Moore, breeder; Mr. and Mrs. George Lewis Stable, owner; William Molter, trainer. ARH 1956. 116

Joe Price was foaled March 9, 1954, at Circle M Farm in Kentucky and was bought for Mr. and Mrs. George Lewis at the 1955 Keeneland summer sales for \$26,000. At 2, he surprised trainer William Molter by being able to win at five furlongs, and at the start of his 3-year-old season, Joe Price, a rangy kind of colt, was listed by Molter as "my best prospect for the Derbys in 1957." At the end of the 1957 season, Molter said: "I think he is the best *Noor out. His best race is from way back, the way *Noor ran."

Coming up to the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile San Felipe Handicap, February 16 at Santa Anita Park, Joe Price had won once and had placed twice in four races. No Bumps (114), *Seaneen (111), Swirling Abbey (123), and Blue Spruce (111) had the early speed. Joe Price (115), starting slowly, began to advance after five furlongs. He took the lead from Blue Spruce inside the sixteenth pole and won by three-quarters of a length while drifting in. His time on a fast track was 1:43 $\frac{3}{4}$. Sir William (118) was second, and Blue Spruce third.

At Hollywood Park, Joe Price was disqualified from first place in a seven-furlong event, then was second to Round Table in the one-mile Will Rogers Stakes, beaten 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths while getting four pounds. In the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile El Dorado Handicap he again was second to Round Table, this time beaten seven lengths with an advantage of 11 pounds.

In the 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -mile Cinema Handicap, Joe Price (114) once more was second to Round Table (130), beaten four lengths. With 118 pounds in the 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -mile Westerner Stakes, he was third to Round Table (129) and *Irisher (110), beaten two lengths and a nose, while closing with determination.

Joe Price ran twice in Chicago, and the best of these races was in the Sheri-

dan Handicap, at one mile on a sloppy track. Carrying 112 pounds, he broke even slower than usual, and after the first quarter-mile was about 15 lengths off the pace. At the eighth-pole he was third, about four lengths back. His rush carried him to second place, two lengths behind Iron Liege (126). Clem (124) was third, 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ lengths farther back, followed by Better Bee (115), Ezgo (114), Greek Game (119), Rajputana (114 $\frac{1}{2}$), and Jet Colonel (113).

The *Noor colt was given three six-furlong races at Garden State Park. In the first of these he ran far below his form, but in the last two he gave good accounts of himself, although the distance was a quarter-mile short of what he would prefer. Carrying 122 pounds in both events, he was third to Jet Colonel and Barbizon, beaten three lengths at equal weights, and second to Encore (111), beaten 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ lengths.

In Joe Price's last race of the year, the seven-furlong Malibu Sequet Stakes at Santa Anita on December 28, he sprained an ankle and finished unplaced. He was turned out for a rest at the Ryana Ranch. G. E. W.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	9	2	2	2	3	\$25,000
1957	3	20	3	6	3	8	80,750

JOTA JOTA, br. f., 1954, Double Jay-Hopefully, by *Challenger II. Crown Crest Farm (Mr. and Mrs. Howard Reineman), breeder; Cain Hoy Stable (Harry F. Guggenheim), owner; W. C. Stephens, trainer. 110

Jota Jota broke down in June after having shown herself to be one of the season's best 3-year-old fillies. Her first stakes attempt was in the six-furlong Ashland at Keeneland on April 18, for which her stablemate Nile Lily was a strong choice. Jota Jota was 13 lengths off the pace after a quarter, but leaving the backstretch, she began a sustained run, and when Nile Lily weakened in

the stretch Jota Jota (114) came on to win by two lengths over Lori-El (115). Nile Lily (114) was third, followed by Woodlawn (118), Salamanca (109), Pillow Talk (112), Jolie Fille (115), and Queen Wirra (111).

Unplaced in the Kentucky Oaks, Jota Jota ran another strong race in the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Black Eyed Susan Stakes on May 25, gaining steadily near the end to finish second to Pillow Talk beaten 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths. Woodlawn was third, another four lengths back.

Jota Jota's last three races were at Belmont Park. On June 3 she was sixth in the Acorn Stakes, after being forced to run on the outside of the 17-horse field. Eight days later she beat Willamette in a 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile race. In the Coaching Club American Oaks on June 22 she was running close to the pace when she broke down.

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Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	3	1	1	1	0	\$ 10,645
1957	3	9	3	2	0	4	22,675
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		12	4	3	1	4	\$33,320

JOVIAL JOVE, ch. c., 1953, Olympia—Whirling Girl by Whirlaway. Bwamazon Farm (Millard A. Waldheim), breeder and owner; Charles P. Sanborn, trainer.

Jovial Jove's first trip to New York in 1957 was a pleasant one. Arriving at Jamaica on May 17, the day before the running of the six-furlong Wilson Handicap, the chestnut son of Olympia blew out over the track, then romped off with first money.

His reputation for speed had been established previously. At two he had beaten Swoon's Son in Keeneland's Breeders' Futurity, and had finished a close second to Royal Sting in the Kentucky Jockey Club Stakes; at three he had been third to Swoon's Son in the Domino Stakes and Warren Wright Memorial Handicap. In his last start before the 1957 Wilson he had defeated Ace

Sailor by two lengths, running six furlongs at Garden State Park in 1:10 $\frac{1}{5}$. He was given 117 pounds for the Wilson, with only Decimal (122) and Impromptu (120) above him.

Pine Echo (110) and Decimal set the pace, and Sam Boulmetis waited with Jovial Jove until the stretch run, then drove past the leaders at the sixteenth-pole and won by 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths, with Tick Tock (117) second and Decimal third in the field of ten.

For the \$50,000-added Carter Handicap, seven furlongs on May 30, Jovial Jove (121) was third in the weights to Dedicate (126) and Boston Doge (122). He ran with the leaders for a half-mile then dropped far out of it. He redeemed himself in the six-furlong Toboggan Handicap, finishing second, a length behind Decimal, while conceding the winner two pounds. Time for the straight three-quarters of a mile was 1:08 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Jovial Jove was foaled May 27, 1953, at Bwamazon Farm, Winchester, Ky. He was the fourth foal of Nellie Flag's daughter Whirling Girl, which Bwamazon had bought privately from Calumet Farm. In three seasons he won seven of 29 races, placed in 12 races, and earned \$91,031.

P. O'B.

KAPITOR, ch. f., 1955, Okapi—°Tora, by Orthodox. Bernadotte Stable (Charles F. H. Johnson), breeder and owner; W. J. Sacco, trainer. 107

The 27-year-old stallion Okapi had two stakes-winning fillies in 1957, Kapi-chan and Kapitor, both bred and owned by Charles F. H. Johnson's Bernadotte Stable. Kapitor made her first start in a \$7,000 claiming race at Monmouth Park on July 13 and was beaten a neck, but in her next start she won the 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ -furlong New Jersey Futurity by 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths, beating 14 other New Jersey-breds, including My Warrior and Craftiness.

Unplaced in her next three races, Kapitor (120) was a surprise second to

Sweet Mandy (113) in the six-furlong Mermaid Stakes on September 11. Away slowly, she closed with a rush to finish ahead of Dance Card (117), Stay Smoochie (112), and seven others. A slow start also cost her possible victory in the six-furlong Home Bred Handicap at Atlantic City on October 5. Carrying second-highest weight of 117 pounds, she made up 3½ lengths in the last furlong to finish a length behind My Warrior (116). First Lead (110) was third, followed by Wendasy (114), Craftiness (116), and four others.

In the overnight Gardenia Trial, one mile, Kapitor was a strong fourth, beaten a nose, a neck, and a half-length by Idun, Quig Flame, and Locust Time. In the Gardenia Stakes, however, she was not prominent, finishing ninth. The record: ten starts, one win, four seconds, earnings of \$24,675. D. M. B. III

KENTUCKY PRIDE, dk. b. c., 1955,
Bull Lea-Blue Delight, by Blue Larkspur. Calumet Farm (Mrs. Gene Mark-
key), breeder and owner; H. A. Jones,
trainer. 121

Highest ranked non-stakes winner in Frank E. Kilroe's 1957 Experimental Free Handicap was Calumet Farm's Kentucky Pride, a brother to Real Delight, All Blue, and Bubbley and a half-brother to Princess Turia and Turk's Delight. At 121 pounds, the colt was only five pounds below top-weighted Jewel's Reward, and the others ahead of him were Nadir (125), Jester (124), Li'l Fella (123), and Misty Flight (122). He was weighted even with Old Pueblo, Rose Trellis, and Terra Firma.

Like most of the Calumet 2-year-olds of recent years, Kentucky Pride came to the races fairly late, on July 24. He won a maiden race at Arlington Park by five lengths in his first effort, running 5½ furlongs on a slow track in 1:07, and ten days later at Washington Park he scored with equal ease over seven colts in a race for non-winners other than maiden or claiming. Pulling away after

the first quarter, he scored by six lengths. The time was 1:05 for 5½ furlongs on a sloppy track. Safe Landing was second, followed by Prize Host, First Fair, King Glade, Easter's Pal, Plain Ben, and Orbit's Image.

Kentucky Pride was taken East to prepare for the Garden State Stakes, but he had "wind trouble," and Jimmy Jones decided to wait until 1958 before resuming serious training. Kentucky Pride figured to be a factor in the spring classics of 1958, if his respiratory system was not too badly damaged. Undeclared in two starts, he had earned \$4,890 in his 2-year-old campaign.

D. M. B. III

***KING BRUCE II**, br. h., 1951, Fair Trial-*Spider's Web, by Bois Roussel. Fred Darling, breeder (in England); Hasty House Farms (Mr. and Mrs. Allie Reuben), owner; Harry Trotsek, trainer. —

Probably no stable in the country has had more foreign-bred horses, or has had more success with them, than Hasty House Farms. Allie Reuben keeps a meticulous record of all the important stakes in Europe and South America.

*King Bruce II., which had been a good winner in England each of his first four seasons, was purchased privately in the fall of 1956 for 6,000 guineas (\$17,840).

*King Bruce II, a come-from-behind sprinter, had two victories to show for 12 races in the U. S. when he showed up in the second division of the Meadowland Handicap at Washington Park on August 10. The 7-10 favorite in the six-furlong race over the grass was Swoon's Son (130).

Johnny Adams, an accomplished turf rider, had *King Bruce II (110) in the second flight most of the way. Flight History (114), Leather Kid (113), and Swoon's Son had the most speed for half a mile. Leather Kid kept going but the other two backed up. The 3-year-old Greek Game (118) passed Leather Kid

in the late stretch but *King Bruce II closed from $3\frac{1}{2}$ lengths back at the eighth-pole to score by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths. *Festin (116) also came from far back to edge Greek Game for second.

*King Bruce II's best race of the year was in the six-furlong Clang Handicap, six days after the Meadowland. Swoon's Son (130) was an odds-on favorite, and the 3-year-old Iron Liege (121) was second choice. Dogoon (115) knocked off a first quarter in :22, then retired for the afternoon while Craigwood (116) took up the job of pace-setter. Flight History (114) threw down his challenge at the head of the stretch, and *King Bruce II (111), last to this point, about a dozen lengths behind, began to show signs of life. Craigwood got lost in the shuffle inside the eighth-pole, where Flight History took charge and out-finished Iron Liege and *King Bruce II. The margins were a neck and a head. Swoon's Son finished fifth.

King Bruce's only other stakes placing was a second to Swoon's Son in the $6\frac{1}{2}$ -furlong Midwest Handicap. The margin was nine lengths.

He won seven of 28 races in England from two of five, earning £7,112. In the U. S. he won three of 19 starts, placed in seven races, and earned \$35,812.

J. A.

KING HAIRAN, br. c., 1954, King's Stride-Lady Hairan, by *Hairan. W. E. Leach, breeder; Leo Edwards, owner; L. H. Hunt, trainer. ARH 1956. 114

King Hairan in 1956 won eight added-money events. In 1957, though he won only two stakes, he still was one of the fastest sprinters around.

In his first two races in 1957 he ran into *Gallant Man and Bold Ruler. The former carried 117 pounds to King Hairan's 122 and beat him two lengths in the six-furlong Hibiscus Stakes at Hialeah Park. Bold Ruler found King Hairan a little deadened by the effort against *Gallant Man, and won the

seven-furlong Bahamas Handicap in record time of 1:22, with King Hairan unplaced, about 15 lengths behind.

King Hairan raced once more in his home state, finishing unplaced to Jet Colonel, before heading for New York. He wasted little time making use of his racing condition. He won the six-furlong Swift Stakes in 1:11 on a sloppy track, with Missile and Clem $1\frac{1}{4}$ lengths back. In his next start, the $1\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Gotham Stakes, he put in his poorest race of the year. He never before had run that far, and he held up only for the first six furlongs, then faded to tenth in a field of 12 horses. The winner was Mister Jive.

Now definitely classed as a sprinter, King Hairan came back to prove he was a good one. He accepted top weight of 126 pounds in the six-furlong Jamaica Handicap, but an outside post position and a slow start kept him from finishing better than third behind Pertshire (112) and Clem (123). He and Clem each had 124 pounds for Garden State Park's Delaware Valley Stakes, and King Hairan scored by a half-length in 1:10. Clem was beaten a neck for place by Irate (113).

King Hairan's best racing now was behind him. In five other races he lost four by five lengths or more; in the other he beat Red Cadet and Egotistical going six furlongs. In 1956 King Hairan won nine of 13 races and earned \$191,575. In 1957 he won three of 12 races, was third in two others, and earned \$44,950. P. O'B.

KINGMAKER, ch. g., 1953, *Prince-quillo-Raise You, by Case Ace. Cortright Wetherill, breeder; Happy Hill Farm (Cortright Wetherill), owner; Frank I. Wright, trainer. ARH 1956. 116

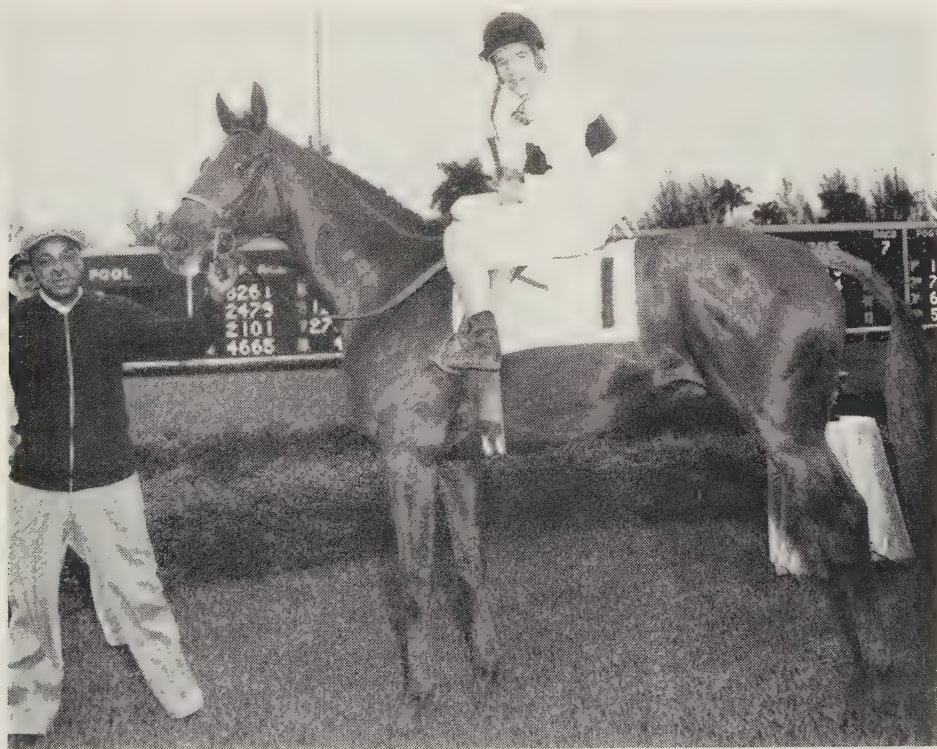
When Kingmaker's afternoon performance was in line with his morning workouts, he was a hard horse to catch. The winner of the 1956 Kent Stakes won three important races in 1957,

His first added-money engagement of the year was in the New Orleans Handicap, 1½ miles at the Fair Grounds on March 2. Under 115 pounds, he took the initiative at the top of the stretch and beat Full Flight (111) to the wire by 1¼ lengths. The stable then shipped to New York, where in his first start, on April 18, Kingmaker (120) beat Blazing Count (113) in a six-furlong event by three-quarters of a length. Admiral Vee (121) was third, and unplaced were Switch On (124) and Hastego (113). His time of 1:10½ was the best to that point in the New York season.

The Laurel Handicap escaped him, but he drew blood again in the 1½-mile Grey Lag Handicap, run on a sloppy track May 11 at Belmont Park. Turning in the finest performance of his career, Kingmaker (116) burst out of the bar-

rier in front and established a clear lead around Jamaica's sharp first turn. He turned in a half in :47½, but approaching the far turn he quit suddenly, and Pylades (111) and First Served (114) rushed past him. In less than a furlong Kingmaker lost more than five lengths; then, almost as quickly as he had slowed down he started up again, putting away the leaders on the stretch turn and winning by three lengths from Beam Rider (109), which had three-quarters of a length over Pylades. The time, 1:48½, was three-fifths of a second faster than Bold Ruler's track record.

Kingmaker (118) was over his head in the Metropolitan Handicap, in which Traffic Judge (118), Dedicate (126), and Greek Spy (114) got the places, but ten days later, on June 19, he ran a strong third to Admiral Vee (115) and



Leo Frutkoff

*Kingmaker, by *Princequillo out of the stakes winner Raise You, won the New Orleans and Grey Lag Handicaps and Whitney Stakes. He was one of eight stakes winners for his sire in 1957. The rider is Robert Ussery.*

	{ Prince Rose	{ Rose Prince
*Princequillo, b., 1940	{ Indolence	
	{ *Cosquilla	{ Papyrus
KINGMAKER, ch. g., 1953		{ Quick Thought
	{ Case Ace	{ *Teddy
Raise You, ch., 1946		{ Sweetheart
	{ Lady Glory	{ American Flag
		{ Beloved

Third Brother (124), being beaten 2¼ lengths under 119 pounds.

Kingmaker's last major success of the season was in the 1½-mile Whitney Handicap at Saratoga. Carrying 115 pounds, he waited about three lengths off the pace to the top of the stretch, where he ran down Tick Tock (111) and Ricci Tavi (114) and stood off Riley (112) to win by a neck.

Second foal of the good race mare Raise You, winner of the 1948 Polly Drummond and Colleen Stakes, Kingmaker was foaled May 26, 1953, at Robert A. Alexander's Bosque Bonita Farm, Versailles, Ky. Cortright Wetherill had bought the dam for \$7,400 at the 1947 Saratoga sales.

P. O'B.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	1	0	0	0	1	-----
1956	3	14	4	3	2	5	\$ 63,950
1957	4	13	6	1	2	4	127,425
		28	10	4	4	10	\$191,375

LADY LARUE, b. f., 1954, °Adaris—Raider LaRue, by Sky Raider. Crown Crest Farm (Mr. and Mrs. Howard Reineman), breeder; E. A. Cole and L. Cobb, owners; E. A. Cole, trainer.

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Lady LaRue inherited the toughness of her dam. Raider LaRue, bred by T. S. Keene, raced 53 times at two, three, and four, winning five races and earning \$10,855. She ran for several different owners, frequently with a claiming tag of \$2,000. After one losing race early in her 5-year-old year, 1953, she was acquired by Crown Crest Farm and farmed out on shares to J. P. Headley,

and it was at the Headley farm near Lexington, Ky., that Lady LaRue was foaled on February 24, 1954. Raider LaRue had a second foal in 1955, and at the Keeneland fall sales of that year she was sold for \$600 to David W. Collins. In 1956, as an 8-year-old mother of two youngsters, she was returned to training under the colors of L. E. Seba, for whom she raced 16 times, winning six races, her last at 1¼ miles, and earning \$4,414.

Lady LaRue was sold as a weanling for \$300 in the 1954 Keeneland fall auction to the Penn Brothers' Kingston Farm, which resold her the next year at Garden State Park to Humphrey S. Finney, agent, for \$600. Racing for E. A. Cole and L. Cobb, she won six of 15 races at two and earned \$11,165. In 1957 she won one stakes and placed in five others.

She took up 111 pounds and beat older males in the 1½-mile Arch Ward Memorial Handicap at Sportsman's Park, November 11, coming from well off the pace to beat River Gate (5, 111) a nose and Bernburgoo (4, 116) by 1½ lengths. Under 109 pounds she was second to Calumet Farm's Rosewood in the one-mile Misty Isle Handicap, and with 108 pounds she was second to the Olympia gelding Ezgo in a division of the St. Louis Derby. She was third to Shan Pac in the 1¼-mile Wolverine Stakes, and under 111 pounds she was third to Leallah (114) and Beautillion (118) in the one-mile Falls City Handicap.

Lady LaRue's most revealing race was in Hawthorne's Yo Tambien Handicap, 6½ furlongs on October 2. Carrying 110 pounds, she finished a fast-closing second to Bornastar (4, 119), which won by 1¼ lengths in 1:17%. Fighting Jury (5, 111) was third. Bornastar later beat Pucker Up in Keeneland's Spinster Stakes.

Lady LaRue in 1957 won five of 19 races, placed eight times, and earned \$38,984, raising her total earnings for two campaigns to \$50,149.

W. S.

LADY SWORDS, ch. f., 1953, Blue Swords—Benissima, by Zacaweista. Sam E. Wilson Jr., breeder; R. B. Meitus, owner; W. Opperman, trainer. ARH 1956.

Lady Swords several times threatened to become a stakes winner, but she never quite made it. Her best performances in 1957 were a mile to 1½ miles, but the previous year she had proved able to handle distances up to 1¼ miles.

She failed to win in 1957. Her best races were her thirds to Pucker Up and Bornastar in the one-mile Arlington Matron Handicap and to Dotted Line and Bornastar in the 1½-mile Beverly Handicap. In the Beverly she finished second, but was moved back a notch for interference.

Carrying 108 pounds over a sloppy track, she broke very slowly in the Matron, and after six furlongs she was 11th, nearly ten lengths off the pace of Pucker Up (120). She gained about four lengths on the favorite in the stretch. Bornastar (114) was second, about two lengths behind the winner.

Carrying 108 pounds again in the Beverly, she stayed closer to the early pace, and in mid-stretch took a length lead over Bornastar (110); but Dotted Line (112) swept to the front in the last sixteenth and won going away by 4½ lengths, with Lady Swords holding second by a head. Stewards decided that Lady Swords had bothered Bornastar and reversed the order of finish.

Lady Swords' best campaign was at three, when she was a close third to Levee and Princess Turia in the 1½-mile Coaching Club American Oaks, second to Amoret in the Beverly, and third to Doubledogdare and Queen Hopeful in the 1½-mile Spinster Stakes. J. A.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	15	3	1	3	8	\$ 6,985
1956	3	17	1	3	4	9	25,755
1957	4	15	0	3	4	8	17,450
	47	4	7	11	25		\$50,190

LEALLAH, br. f., 1954, *Nasrullah—Lea Lark, by Bull Lea. Charlton Clay, breeder and owner; Mackenzie Miller, trainer. 109

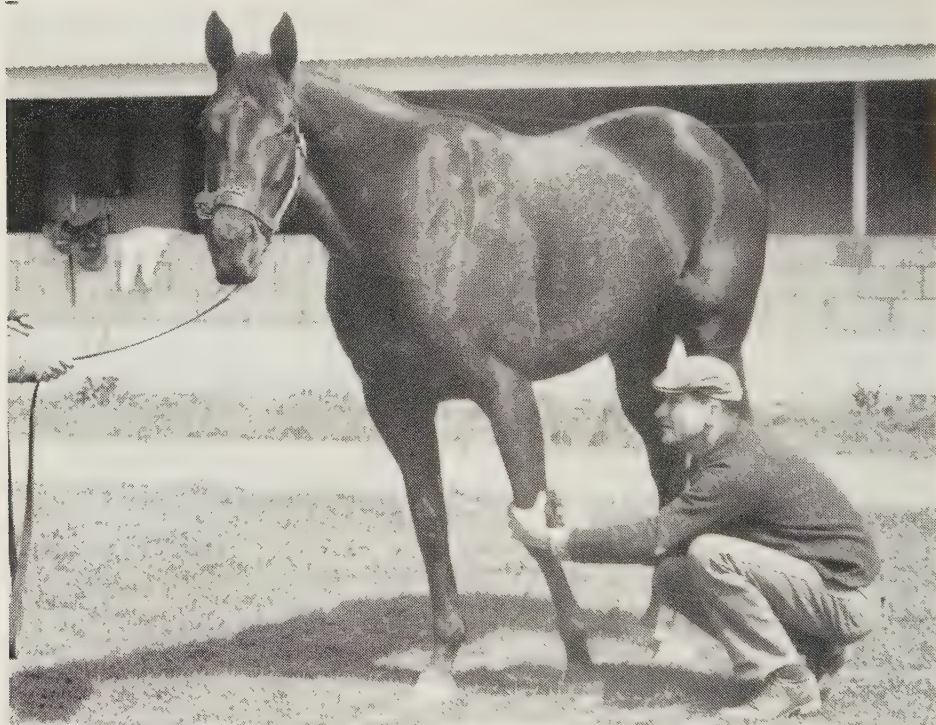
Voted the best 2-year-old filly of 1956 in two of three post-season polls, Charlton Clay's Leallah was expected to make her first 1957 start in the Betsy Ross Stakes at Garden State Park in May. On April 19, however, she pulled ligaments in her right fore ankle in a workout at Keeneland, and she had to be rested for about a month. She got to the races on July 2, finishing a close third to Miss Blue Jay and Alanesian in a six-furlong race at Belmont Park. She ran twice more in July, once in August, and once in September, dropping back each time after showing early speed.

*Nasrullah, b., 1940	{Nearco	{Pharos
	{Mumtaz Begum	{Nogara
		{*Blenheim II
LEALLAH, br. f., 1954		{Mumtaz Mahal
Lea Lark, dk. b., 1945	{Bull Lea	{*Bull Dog
	{Colosseum	{Rose Leaves
		{Ariel
		{Arena

After the Fall Highweight Handicap on September 2, Leallah was rested for a month, then ran four races which resembled her good efforts of 1956. On October 1 she finished a head behind Alanesian in a six-furlong race at Belmont Park, and eight days later she broke Swoon's Son's six-furlong record at Keeneland, covering the distance in 1:09 while scoring an easy 2½-length victory. After another easy win at Churchill Downs, she closed her season in the one-mile Falls City Handicap. Leallah (114) dueled with Beautillon (118) for six furlongs, then drew out to win in a gallop by four lengths. Lady LaRue (111) was third. Leallah's time was 1:36½, fastest of the 17 renewals of the race at one mile. D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	8	7	0	0	1	\$129,240
1957	3	9	3	1	1	4	21,694
	17	10	1	1	5		\$150,934

Leallah, one of the best 2-year-old fillies of 1956, did not reach her best 3-year-old form until the fall of the year. An attendant cleans her off after a workout at Keeneland. She is a full sister to the speedy Lea Lane.



J. C. Meadors

LEATHER BUTTON, dk. b. g., 1955,
Phar Mon-Chall Amaze, by Challe-
don. W. L. Jones Jr., breeder; Rock-
moore Farm (A. P. Moore), owner;
J. J. Sarner Jr., trainer. 112

Leather Button gained the better part of his reputation and of his winnings in the Arlington Park Futurity. This was the race in which he was given first money after Alhambra was disqualified because of a foul by stablemate Olymar.

Foaled March 27, 1955, at Warner L. Jones' Hermitage Farm, Goshen, Ky., Leather Button was sold privately to the Ocala Stud Farms, Ocala, Fla., which on January 28, 1957, resold him for \$5,400 at the Florida Breeders' Association sale at Hialeah Park. The buyer was A. P. Moore, a newcomer to the sport, from Iowa.

Leather Button made his first start on February 7 at Hialeah Park, his last of the year on December 28 at Tropical Park, but his best form was shown during the summer in Chicago.

It wasn't until his ninth start that he finally won. Nine days later on June 12, Leather Button ran in his first stakes, the Joliet. T. A. Grissom's Litte Reaper, winner of the Bashford Manor Stakes at Churchill Downs in his last previous start, was coupled with Lord Jan, and the entry was favored at 11 to 5. Also present was He's First, winner of the Duncan F. Kenner Stakes in New Orleans. Leather Button, third choice at 39 to 10, won easily, hitting the wire four lengths clear of Benedicto, an invader from Detroit, with Rellim S. W. third. Time for the 5½ furlongs was 1:05½ over a good track.

Then followed five straight tussles with Alhambra, three at Arlington Park and two at Washington Park. The first meeting was in the Primer Stakes on June 26, and Leather Button (122) lost to Alhambra (119) by a nose in 1:04%. In the Hyde Park Stakes on July 8 it was Alhambra by a head over Litte Reaper, with Leather Button a neck back in third place.

In the rich Arlington Futurity on July 20 Alhambra bounded to a quick lead and Leather Button was second throughout, finishing $4\frac{1}{2}$ lengths away. Rellim S. W. was third, followed by Olymar, and Sir Ruler. The stewards, however, had seen Olymar veer sharply in front of Sir Ruler between the eighth- and sixteenth-poles. Sir Ruler had to be taken up by Bill Hartack, who lodged a claim of foul only because, he told Fred Hooper later, he thought Doug Dodson had fouled him deliberately. Leather Button was moved to first, Rellim S. W. to second, and Sir Ruler to third. Time for the six furlongs was 1:09%.

Leather Button next met Alhambra in the George Woolf Memorial Stakes at Washington Park on July 31. He led by three lengths at the top of the stretch, but faded to third behind Alhambra and Terra Firma. In the Prairie State Stakes on August 12, also at 6 furlongs, Leather Button finished fifth, about 15 lengths behind Alhambra, which nosed out Terra Firma.

Leather Button raced once at Atlantic City and four times in Florida, but his best 2-year-old form was behind him. He had three victories and eight placings in 20 starts, earned \$120,400. J. A.

LEVELATION, b. g., 1955, Occupation—Upper Level, by *Sickle. J. P. Jones, breeder; Warner Stable, owner; A. G. Robertson, trainer. 114

Three crackerjack races within a month marked Levelation as one of the speediest 2-year-olds of 1957. Running five furlongs at Jamaica as fast as :59%

is a trick few horses have accomplished, and Levelation did it on May 25, with a five-length margin over Prince Ariel and Net Ball, his closest competitors. No other youngster ran a race like that at Jamaica.

Levelation had raced once in Florida, being unplaced behind Bolero U. at three furlongs, and against a field of maidens at Jamaica on May 6 he won a five-furlong event by five lengths in :59%. Less than three weeks later he ran the same course in :59%, with fractions of :22%, :46%, and with Ted Atkinson sitting back all through the stretch.

With this background, Levelation (122) was favored over Li'l Fella (117) and Jewel's Reward (117) in the Juvenile Stakes, down Belmont Park's Widener straightaway. He forced the pace, but tired near the end, and Li'l Fella won by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in :56%. Jewel's Reward nailed Levelation by a head for second place.

Levelation had speed, and an easy, level, reaching stride which enhanced his potential for 1958. He won two of his four starts, was once third, and earned \$9,395. P. O'B.

LIGHTNING JACK, ch. c., 1954, Dogpatch—Reigh Orphan, by Reigh Count. Thomas Thoroughbred Farm, breeder; Morris Shapiro and Charles Leavitt, owners; C. B. Leavitt, trainer. —

Round Table lost only three races in California in 1957. The winner of one of these was Lightning Jack, a colt which ran like a stakes horse whenever the track was muddy.

Bought for \$5,700 at the 1955 Del Mar yearling sales, Lightning Jack failed to win in 12 races in 1956, although he placed eight times and earned \$6,160. He graduated from the ranks of maidens in his second start as a 3-year-old. He won again the last day of the Santa Anita Park meeting when a storm left the track heavy and sticky for the San Bernardino Handicap.

Round Table, Joe Price, and *Irisher,

all running as trainer Bill Molter's entry, were prohibitive favorites at 3-5, and all finished out of the money. The rugged Mystic Eye made the early pace, with Round Table little more than a length away. At the top of the stretch, Round Table gave way suddenly, and as he dropped back Lightning Jack moved up with a rush. He whittled away at Mystic Eye's lead, caught him near the wire and won by three-quarters of a length. The track was so heavy the first mile was run in 1:42%, with the mile and a sixteenth in 1:49%.

In Lightning Jack's next start, two months later, there was mud at Hollywood Park, of all places. The Inglewood track had had 328 consecutive days of fast tracks, but in mid-morning of May 11 it poured. Each time another cloud passed over, Lightning Jack's youthful trainer, Buddy Leavitt, beamed.

Nine 3-year-olds started in the six-furlong Debonair Stakes. Royal Academy sprinted to the top immediately, shook off Count Arrow, and held on in determined fashion when Lightning Jack moved up from seventh place to challenge. Still two lengths back at the eighth-pole, Lightning Jack shoved his nose to the front in the very last stride.

Lightning Jack started five more times on fast tracks without success. R. H.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	12	0	6	2	4	\$ 6,160
1957	3	14	3	2	2	6	38,250
		—	—	—	—	—	—
		26	3	8	4	10	\$44,410

LIGHT 'N LOVELY, b. f., 1954, *Alibhai—Within Bounds, by *Beau Pere. Louis B. Mayer, breeder; William G. Helis Jr., owner; Howard Hausner, trainer. ARH 1956. 111

Light 'n Lovely, second in the 1956 Frizette Stakes and third in the Gardenia Stakes, again just missed becoming a stakes winner in 1957. In races up to 1½ miles she usually was improving her position at the end.

Pamper Me, receiving four pounds, beat the *Alibhai filly by a neck in the six-furlong Jasmine Stakes, and Mrs. Hellen beat her 1½ lengths at level weights in the six-furlong Miss Woodford Stakes. Market Basket (121) and Pink Velvet (117) were ahead of Light 'n Lovely (113) in the 1¼-mile Pageant Stakes, and Pink Velvet, giving three pounds, beat her a head in the 1¼-mile Jersey Belle Stakes, with Romanita (116) third.

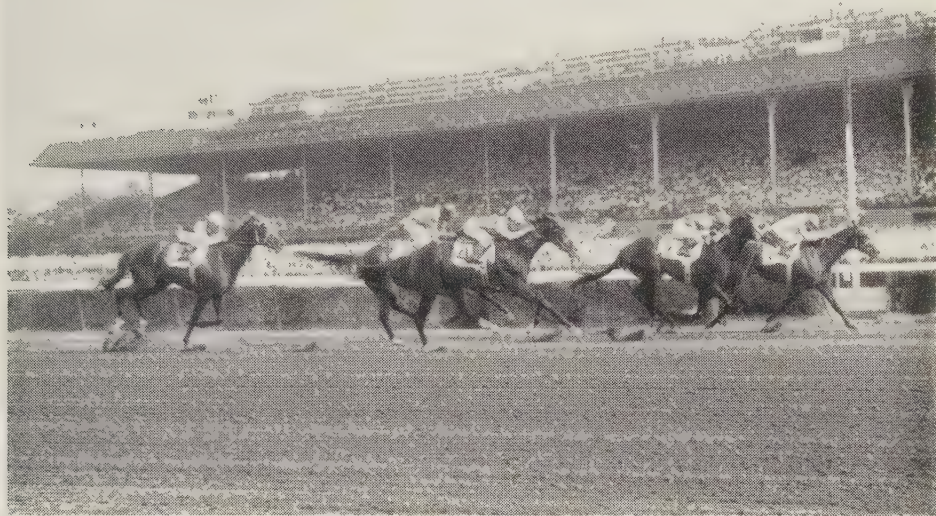
Light 'n Lovely's best winning race was a six-furlong event on July 5 at Monmouth Park, in which she moved very strongly through the last furlong to beat Mlle. Dianne by a half-length in 1:10. Marullah was third. In two seasons of racing Light 'n Lovely won seven of 21 races, placed eight times, and earned \$79,780. P. O'B.

LI'L FELLA, b. c., 1955, *Nirgal—Radio Time, by Eight Thirty. Jaclyn Stable (Dr. and Mrs. Leon Levy), breeder and owner; Sidney Jacobs, trainer. 123

The most consistent of the four top-weighted 2-year-olds in the Experimental Free Handicap was Dr. and Mrs. Leon Levy's Li'l Fella. He won six of his 10 starts, was unplaced only once, beat Jewel's Reward in the Juvenile Stakes, finished ahead of Nadir in the Champagne Stakes, and defeated Jester in the Great American Stakes. Winner of more than \$100,000 in his first season of racing, Li'l Fella was far and away the most rewarding animal Dr. Levy had come upon in ten rather trying years in racing.

A graduate of the School of Dentistry at the University of Pennsylvania in 1916, Dr. Levy gave up a lucrative practice ten years later to go into the broadcasting business, which in 1925 was a lot like uranium prospecting today. His Philadelphia radio station was the first to join the Columbia Broadcasting System and in 1927 Dr. Levy invested heavily in

L'il Fella (1) beat Jester (3) a neck in the 5½-furlong Great American Stakes at Belmont Park July 22. In order behind them were Rose Trellis (4), Jewel's Reward (2), and Bolero U. Time was 1:05%.



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the radio network which was then in its infancy. Today he is the senior member of the board of directors of CBS. Dr. Levy sold his interests in the Philadelphia station in 1946 and became one of the largest investors and executive vice president of the new Atlantic City race course of which his neighbor, John Kelly, was president. In the fall of that year Dr. Levy decided to buy some horses and "got in up to my neck."

His wife's uncle, Jay Paley, a retired radio executive in California, had been racing for some years and he suggested that Dr. Levy join him as a partner. In January, 1947, the Jaclyn Stable came into being, deriving its name from those of the partners' two daughters, Jacqueline Paley and Lynne Levy. The partners attended the yearling sales at Keeneland and Saratoga with enthusiasm and an open pocketbook.

"Well, we learned the hard way," Dr. Levy said. "We bought Imperial Rock for \$70,000 and lost him for \$7,500;

Mulatto cost \$50,000, and we lost him for \$1,500; we bought Jitters for \$35,000 and lost her for \$3,500; we also got a winded horse for \$45,000; and then there were Evening Blend, Mailed Fist, and Back Drop, all purchased for something like \$40,000 each and all wound up as claimers. It took us a little while to get straightened out."

One yearling purchase made by Paley at the 1946 Keeneland sale helped. A chestnut filly by Eight Thirty-Lull, by "Bull Dog, was bought out of the Coldstream Stud consignment for \$25,000. Named Radio Time, she won a maiden race by six lengths in her first start as a 3-year-old, won at Santa Anita Park, again at Garden State Park, and was retired in May, 1948, with earnings of \$11,050, giving her an average earnings index of 2.03.

Paley, becoming disheartened, decided to cut back his Thoroughbred holdings, and in 1949 Mrs. Levy purchased his interests in the Jaclyn Stable. Among

the horses retained by the Levys in the division of the stable was Radio Time, a half-sister to stakes winners Albatross and Detective and to the dams of stakes winners Missile, History Book and Glorious Nymph. Radio Time's first two foals were Radio Rome and Ayem, both winners.

In 1953, Radio Time was bred to *Nirgal, a French stallion in which Dr. Levy owned a share. The resultant foal was Nitime which won the 1957 Hurricane Handicap. Returned to *Nirgal, Radio Time dropped a bay colt on March 29, 1955, at John Wesley Marr's Clarkland Farm near Lexington, Ky.

Naming thoroughbreds is an exasperating business. The really good names usually are regarded as too salty by The Jockey Club or already are taken. Pondering the problem posed by his second *Nirgal-Radio Time colt, Dr. Levy took his pair of French poodles for a walk. As in a fairy tale, the daughter of his long-time friend and neighbor, John Kelly, the daughter in this tale being a princess from a far away land, was also out for a walk and they met.

"Oh, what a cute li'l fella," Princess

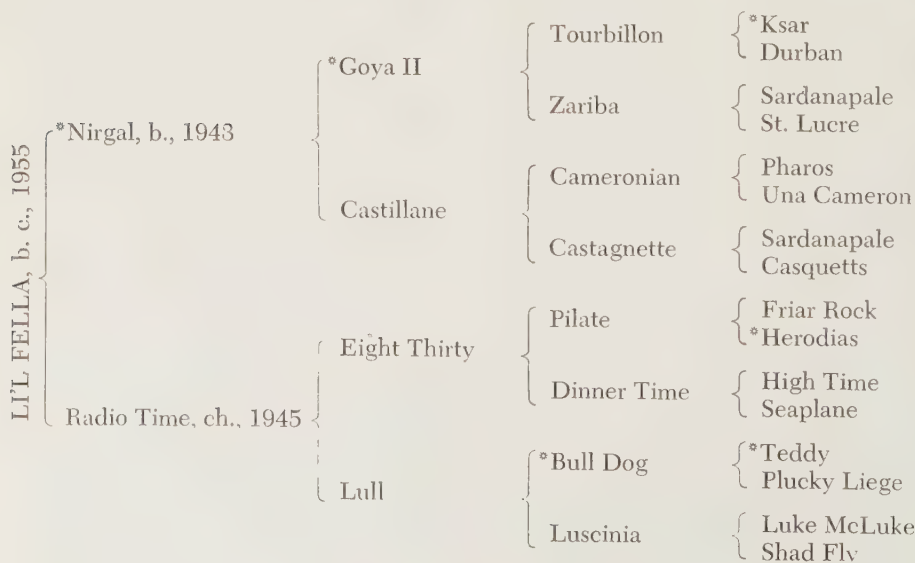
Grace exclaimed as she spied the younger and smaller of the two poodles.

"Thank you, my dear, you've just named a horse."

Li'l Fella, a normal-sized yearling, was broken at Clarkland Farm and was shipped to trainer Sid Jacobs in Florida in November of 1956. His first appearance in competition was auspicious. It was made on May 13, at Garden State in a five-furlong affair. Installed as second choice in the betting, Li'l Fella rushed around horses after settling into stride, reached the front after the initial three-sixteenths and rambled away, winning easily by eight lengths. Favored Emerald Prince, receiving five pounds from the winner was two lengths in front of the third horse.

A week later, Li'l Fella started in the \$15,000 Cherry Hill Stakes in which he was made fourth favorite behind Bolero U., Jimmer, and Nisht Amool. Li'l Fella suffered interference twice, the first time being forced to take back when caught between Nisht Amool and Jewel's Reward midway of the turn, but closed with courage despite being carried out a trifle by Bolero U. He finished a

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length and a nose behind Nisht Amool (116 pounds) and Bolero U. (122), and a half length in front of Jewel's Reward, which, like Li'l Fella, was carrying 113 pounds. Nisht Amool's time for the five furlongs was :59½, which was four-fifths faster than Li'l Fella's winning mark in his maiden effort.

His first New York appearance was made June 5, when Li'l Fella met 13 others in the 81st running of the Juvenile Stakes. Jostled at the start, he was steadily worked forward by Willie Hartack while Jimmer, Levelation, and Jewel's Reward battled for the lead. Nearing the stands, Jewel's Reward took command as Jimmer began to falter and Li'l Fella moved up rapidly on the inside. Just inside the furlong pole, the Jaclyn Stable's blue and white silks showed on top and Li'l Fella won going away, by one and a half lengths from Jewel's Reward, both carrying 117 pounds. The favored Levelation, with 122 pounds, finished a head back of Jewel's Reward, two lengths in front of Nisht Amool (122). Li'l Fella's time for the straight five furlongs was :56½, less than a second off Jet Master's mark set in 1951.

A month later Li'l Fella came out again, this time in the Tremont Stakes which was being run for the first time over five and a half furlongs of the Widener Course at Belmont because of construction work at Aqueduct. Bolero U. (126 pounds) was made the favorite, while Li'l Fella (122) was the second choice and Jewel's Reward (114), which had yet to break his maiden, was installed as third favorite. Bolero U. stumbled at the start and never was a factor. George Widener's Ahmed and Li'l Fella went to the front soon after the start and when the former began to tire after going half a mile, Eddie Arcaro hustled Li'l Fella into the lead. It was short lived however for Jewel's Reward rushed by on the inside and seemed about to run off with the race. Arcaro went to work quickly and Li'l Fella responded gamely; in the final strides the Jaclyn colt ap-

peared to be gaining on Jewel's Reward which won by a diminishing half-length. Louis d'Or, with 118 pounds, finished more than a length behind Li'l Fella, in third place.

The son of *Nirgal turned in one of his best performances of the year in the Great American Stakes on July 22, coming from well out of it to wear down Jester in the final 70 yards of the five and a half furlong feature. Li'l Fella started slowly and was running fourth in the five-horse field when he responded to Bobby Ussery's strong urging in the final three-sixteenths to get up in time for a neck victory over George Widener's Tom Fool colt. Jewel's Reward, in at equal weights with the top pair, finished fourth after holding the lead for the first quarter mile.

Off his record, Li'l Fella seemed to have the \$50,000 Sapling Stakes at his mercy when shipped to Monmouth for the six-furlong event run on August 7. He was installed a 2-1 favorite over ten other 2-year-olds, which with the exception of Bolero U. and Jewel's Reward, had done little of note in stakes competition. Li'l Fella was well placed from the start by Ussery and when Hubcap, the Florida whiz, tired coming into the stretch, Li'l Fella took over the lead. Meanwhile, Ed Potter's Greek Ship colt, Plion, rounded the field and engaged Li'l Fella in an exciting stretch duel. The lead changed with each bob of the head in the final furlong and it was Plion's turn at the wire. Li'l Fella lost little prestige in the nose defeat since he was conceding the winner five pounds and his courage and determination were manifest in the furious stretch drive. Jewel's Reward, carrying 124 pounds—equal to Li'l Fella's impost—finished three and three-quarters lengths behind the top pair, in fourth position.

Li'l Fella laughed his way through a six-furlong prep for the World's Playground Stakes when he copped his fourth victory in seven starts on August 30, at Atlantic City before the fond gaze of the track's vice president. He covered

the six furlongs in 1:09% and gave Nala, half-brother of champion steeplechaser Neji, eight pounds and a two and a quarter-length beating.

A week later he won the World's Playground Stakes in the desired manner of an odds-on choice. Trailing the speedy Leather Button during the initial running of the seven-furlong affair, Li'l Fella was taken to the inside by Willie Hartack when Leather Button tired and bore out entering the stretch. Hartack looked over his shoulder during his lonesome ride down the stretch and Li'l Fella had speed in reserve when he crossed the finish three lengths to the fore of Chance it Tony, which with 110 pounds was recipient of a 12-pound advantage. The time of 1:24% over the sloppy track was unimpressive but the facility of his victory clearly stamped him as the class of the field which included fourth-place finisher Plion.

In training for the mile Champagne Stakes, Li'l Fella worked a mile in 1:40% on October 1, and won a \$10,000 allowance race at Belmont with consummate ease over Deadeye Dick and Sir Robby on October 5. Then on October 10, he worked six furlongs in 1:12% and Jacobs thought the colt may have tried to buck his shins.

Li'l Fella was made favorite for the 86th running of the Champagne, the oldest race in America for 2-year-olds and the richest race in New York when on October 12, a dozen juveniles competed for a \$156,500 pot. On that morning, he merited the appellation as the season's leading 2-year-old. He had been defeated by only four horses in his nine races and had subsequently vanquished all four. He had met Jewel's Reward five times and bested him on four occasions; his only defeat by the colt subsequently ranked at the top of the Experimental Handicap was by a half-length in the Tremont, in which he gave Jewel's Reward eight pounds. Hartack apparently thought Li'l Fella was the better of the two since he elected to ride the Jaclyn

colt in the Champagne, leaving Jewel's Reward to Willie Shoemaker.

Alhambra, Fred Hooper's speedy son of Olympia, sprang to the front at the start of the Champagne and held the lead for three-quarters of a mile with Li'l Fella close on his heels. Entering the stretch, Alhambra flattened out, and Jewel's Reward, which had been lying third, moved to the front and withstood a late surge from Misty Flight which came within a neck of the winner. Rose Trellis finished third, a half-length in front of Li'l Fella. Nadir trailed the latter by four lengths to finish fifth.

Jacobs' suspicion of Li'l Fella's shins was confirmed when it was ascertained that the colt had bucked during the running of the race, a circumstance which may have accounted for his failure to rally when clear in the final furlong.

Retired for the season, Li'l Fella's record showed ten starts, six victories, two seconds, one third and one fourth-place finish. His ten checks amounted to \$105,117. If consistency were to be rewarded, Li'l Fella probably deserved a higher ranking on the Experimental Handicap. However, the weights were fixed with a 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile race in mind and the son of *Nirgal had not had an opportunity to demonstrate his abilities at distances greater than a mile. Consensus held with the ranking of Jewel's Reward (126 pounds), Nadir (125), Jester (124), Li'l Fella (123), and Misty Flight (122).
K. H.

LITTE REAPER, ch. c., 1955, Hypo-thetical—Miss Militant, by Zacaweista. Duntreath Farm (P. L. Grissom), breeder; T. A. Grissom, owner; V. R. Wright, trainer. 109

Little Reaper, called Little Reaper by most type-setters, should be around a long time if he's as sturdy as his dam. Miss Militant went to the post 176 times from her second through her ninth year, winning 31 races and earning \$49,721. She ran mostly in claiming races, for

values up to \$7,500, and when her career was ended she was the property of P. L. Grissom.

Miss Militant had her first foal in 1950, at the age of 11. Her 1953 foal was Reaping Right, winner of the Louisiana Derby and one of the ranking 3-year-olds of 1956 before an injury took him out of training.

The sire, Hypothetical, had a fashionable pedigree but no racing record. By Hyperion out of *Miss Trig, a sister to the Cesarewitch Stakes winner Kerry Piper and to the Leopardstown Stakes winner Breadmaker, Hypothetical was sold at the 1952 Saratoga sales to Grissom's Duntreath Farm for \$20,000. He was injured shortly after going into training, and in 1954, at the age of three, he was put to stud. Litte Reaper, foaled at Duntreath on April 28, 1955, was one of three foals in his first crop.

Litte Reaper did his first racing at Keeneland and broke his maiden at Churchill Downs, where on May 19 he won the five-furlong Bashford Manor Stakes on a sloppy track. He pressed the pace of Roman Bow, took the lead on the stretch turn, and won by five lengths from Lord Jan, which had a head margin over Unique Commando. Unplaced were Sam's Shipahoy, Terra Firma, Bumpy Road, and Roman Bow.

The only other race Litte Reaper won was Detroit Race Course's six-furlong Governor's Stakes. The track again was sloppy, and he won by six lengths over Dudley Dixie, which had three to spare over A Dragon Killer.

Quite possibly his best race of the year, however, was in Arlington Park's 5½-furlong Hyde Park Stakes. The entry of Alhambra and Olymar was favored at 13 to 10, and Litte Reaper was nearly 10 to 1. Alhambra went to the front soon after the start; and, although one of John Heckmann's stirrup irons broke in the early running, he was able to guide his mount to a two-length lead at the top of the stretch. Litte Reaper was about six lengths off the lead and boxed in on the rail at the turn for home, but young John R. Adams was able to swing

the colt outside of the jam at the top of the straightaway. At the eighth-pole he still was four lengths behind the leader, but Alhambra was beginning to show signs of wear. At the wire it was Alhambra by a neck over Litte Reaper, which had a length advantage over Leather Button. Rellim S. W. was fourth, Olymar fifth.

In his first season of racing Litte Reaper won three of 11 races, was twice second, and earned \$24,271. J. A.

LITTLE HERMIT, br. c., 1954, *Ambiorix-Seclude, by *Isolater. Belair Stud (William Woodward Jr.), breeder; John S. Kroese, owner; Sidney J. Smith, trainer. —

Little Hermit was one of the horses retained by John S. Kroese after he had purchased the Belair Stud racing stock and yearlings at the end of 1955. The colt was exceptionally sound, as his 43 starts in two seasons attested, but he lacked the full measure of class his owner had hoped for. One of his half-dozen seconds in 1957 was in the 1 3/16-mile Dwyer Handicap at Belmont Park in July, when, under 107 pounds, he was beaten a length and a half by Bureaucracy (114), with Tenacious (113) third. But the most impressive of his non-winning races was in a seven-furlong overnight test at Saratoga; in receipt of ten pounds, he finished second to *Gallant Man, which beat him four lengths and ran the seven furlongs in 1:24½, excellent time for Saratoga. Little Hermit's three winning races in 1957 were at six furlongs. In two seasons he earned \$43,102. P.O.B.

LITTLE PACHE, lt. br. f., 1953, Apache-Little Spooky by Jamestown. C. E. Buckley, breeder; Ellis Farm (Boris, Jacob, and Max Litwin), owner; F. E. Cundall, trainer. 107

Little Pache crowded her three victories of 1957 into a three-week period

in the spring, and while she ran in excellent form until the end of June, it was during a 22-day period in April and May that she ruled with absolute authority. She was one of the hardest fillies in training, having run 62 times in three years. Her class had not become apparent until late in her 3-year-old season, when she was second to Pucker Up in the Jersey Belle Stakes and won the nine-furlong Gallorette Stakes.

In five races in Florida early in 1957 Little Pache's best performance was her fourth in the Black Helen Handicap, about seven lengths back of Amoret (118), from which she received six pounds. It was at Jamaica that she started to show her best form. On April 11 Little Pache (118) went after the \$6,000 Baisley Handicap, an overnight event at 5½ furlongs. Glamour (122) was the topweight, Scansion (116) was favorite, and Little Pache the winner by five lengths, in 1:05½.

For the six-furlong Correction Handicap, April 17, Little Pache carried 116 pounds. Outrun for the first quarter-mile, she turned on power in the stretch, and won by 5½ lengths, with Infatuation (120) second and Jet Girl (109) third. She had made it in 1:11½.

For the 1¼-mile Bed o' Roses Handicap, at Jamaica on May 4, Little Pache had 121 pounds, top weight. Making her run earlier than usual, she had the lead on the turn and won by four lengths from Gay Life (112), with Manotick (118) third.

In the six-furlong Champlain Handicap Little Pache, top-weighted with 126 pounds, was last about 12 lengths off the pace, going into the turn, but a burst of speed carried her to sixth place, three lengths off the winner, Happy Princess (116). Running in the middle of the track, she had gained six lengths in the last furlong.

In the 1½-mile Bellerose Handicap Little Pache (112) got the lead at the eighth-pole, but Floral Park (107) got past her to win by nearly two lengths in 1:52. Pardala (104) was third.

The 1¼ miles of the Delaware Handicap, June 29 at Delaware Park, figured to be beyond her limit, but Little Pache turned in one of her best races. Carrying 119 pounds, even with Princess Turia and two over Pucker Up, she fought her way to a position near the pace and finished third to Princess Turia and Pucker Up, beaten 1½ lengths.

Little Pache's only other stakes placing was her third to Gay Life (108) and Dotted Line (113) in the 1½-mile Firenze Handicap, at Jamaica on October 26. She carried 111 pounds that time, indicating clearly how far off her springtime form she was. P. O'B.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	24	2	3	5	14	\$ 8,635
1956	3	15	4	2	3	6	26,825
1957	4	23	3	1	2	17	58,125
		62	9	6	10	37	\$93,585

LOFTY PEAK, ch. g., 1952, Alquest-Highformation, by Higher. C. M. Greer, breeder; C. Mahlon Kline, owner; M. H. Dixon Sr., trainer. —

Lofty Peak set the pace in Belmont Park's historic Suburban Handicap and just failed to win his first stakes race. He was beaten a head in the 1¼-mile classic, and only the most desperate of rides by Eddie Arcaro kept him from victory. At the eighth-pole Lofty Peak (118) had a little more than a length advantage over Traffic Judge (124), Dedicate (126), and Admiral Vee (117). He was off the rail and Traffic Judge seemed to be safely in a pocket on the rail. But Arcaro, in a last-ditch try, wheeled Traffic Judge to the outside, bothering Dedicate slightly, and wore down Lofty Peak to win in 2:02½.

The gallant attempt in the Suburban came about by chance, for had there been a turf race at Belmont the chances are the gelding would have been running in it. Lofty Peak had competed on the grass for nearly two years, until June 13, when he turned in a corking effort in

an overnight handicap at Belmont, running $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles in 1:42, just a fifth of a second off the track mark. Off that effort, the handicapper rated him just ten pounds under Dedicate and eight below Traffic Judge.

Lofty Peak ran once more in 1957, carrying 117 pounds and finishing fifth to Dedicate (124) in the $1\frac{1}{4}$ -mile Monmouth Handicap, beaten seven lengths. Unraced at two, Lofty Peak won ten of 26 races in three campaigns, earning \$69,580. P. O'B.

LOPAR, b. f., 1955, °Heliopolis-Fairy Palace, by Pilate. Foxcatcher Farms (William du Pont Jr.), breeder and owner; Richard E. Handlen, trainer.
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Lopar, a sister to Parlo, won only one race in 1957, but she once was $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths behind Idun and once about a neck behind Polamby. In the handsome bay filly's second start she walked away from an ordinary field of maidens at Jamaica to score by six lengths.

After a four-month lay-off, from May to September, Lopar was completely outrun in the Matron Stakes, finishing 16 lengths off Idun. The race must have helped, for she came back in the seven-furlong Astarita Stakes to close well, finishing third to Polamby and Merry Lark, beaten less than a half-length.

Lopar's best of three remaining races was in the Frizette Stakes, at level weights. She finished second, $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths behind Idun, which did the $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles in 1:46 $\frac{1}{2}$, under restraint through the last furlong. Lopar won one of nine races, was once second, once third, and earned \$19,770. P. O'B.

LORD JEEP, b. g., 1953, Lord Boswell-Belle Jeep, by War Jeep. Maine Chance Farm (Mrs. Elizabeth N. Graham), breeder; Mrs. J. M. Lingle, owner; J. M. Lingle, trainer. —

A half-brother to the champion 2-year-old colt Jewel's Reward, Lord Jeep

was a good sprinter whose usual occupation was in the supporting features. On October 5, 1957, however, he dead-heated with the fine sprinter Decathlon in the six-furlong John Alden Handicap. Lord Jeep had a 22-pound pull in the weights, but he was one of the two horses to catch Decathlon in 1957. In the John Alden, Lord Jeep (111) started slowly, letting Decathlon (133) and Pine Echo (113) battle for the lead. Decathlon put away Pine Echo at the top of the stretch, and it was all he could do to dead-heat with the fast-finishing Lord Jeep. Venomous (114) was third, followed by Pine Echo, Switch On (119), Irate (3, 106), Itobe (119), Craigwood (118), Momus (105), and Boston Doge (124).

Lord Jeep failed to match this form in his other races. His next best performance was on June 1, when he beat Switch On by three-quarters of a length in a six-furlong overnight handicap with the aid of a ten-pound advantage.

Lord Jeep was foaled March 21, 1953, at Spendthrift Farm, Lexington, where Mrs. Elizabeth N. Graham boarded her stock before she bought her own farm. He was sold privately to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lingle. The dam, Belle Jeep, was an unraced half-sister to the stakes winners Beauguerre and Late Model.

D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
1956	3	15	6	3	3	3	\$22,400
1957	4	18	4	5	5	4	30,842
		33	10	8	8	7	\$53,242

LORI-EL, dk. b. f., 1954, Eternal Reward-Trefoil, by Grand Admiral. F. E. Morancy, breeder; M. R. Soto and A. E. Berke, owners; M. R. Soto, trainer. 111

On the morning of May 17, 1957, a brash young trainer named Mike Soto entered the 3-year-old Kentucky Oaks winner Lori-El against Swoon's Son and other older horses in the 6-furlong La Salle Handicap on the Balmoral program.

Accosted in the Washington Park racing secretary's office a bit later, Soto was asked how come.

"It's this way," Soto said. "Just once, I want to run her against a horse like Swoon's Son, just to see what she'll do."

The track was muddy and Lori-El, carrying 104 pounds, didn't do badly. She was third, $3\frac{1}{2}$ lengths back of Swoon's Son (130). Whether or not this race was responsible, Lori-El had turned in her last good performance.

Lori-El was foaled April 9, 1954, at Buck Run Farm, Versailles, Ky., and in the 1955 Keeneland fall sales she was sold to Soto for \$700. ("I never bought a horse for more than \$3,000 in my life. When I got out of the Navy in 1945, I bought my first horse, and I raced mostly around Chicago. See, after my work is through at the track, I go back to my jewelry shop and work the rest of the day.") After the sale Soto asked his friend Alex Berke, also in the jewelry business in Chicago, if he'd like to own half of the filly, and Berke bought in.

Lori-El is a combination from the names of the men's wives.

Lori-El won five of seven races at two, and in her eighth race, June 6 at Washington Park, she returned to the barn with severe cuts on her hind legs, and Soto put her away for the rest of the season.

She opened her 3-year-old campaign by winning a six-furlong race on February 7 at Hialeah Park, scoring by $3\frac{1}{2}$ lengths over Light 'n Lovely. She caught a sloppy track in her first two races at Oaklawn Park, and won both times, going six furlongs and a mile and 70 yards; then ran third to Kentucky Roman and Cosmic Force in the Arkansas Derby.

Lori-El's next four races, ending with the La Salle Handicap, justified her ranking in year-end handicaps with the best dozen or so of her age and sex. In Keeneland's six-furlong Ashland Stakes she was a sharp factor from the start, but Jota Jota got past her inside the eighth-pole and won by two lengths.



Balmoral

Lori-El splashed to a $1\frac{1}{2}$ -length victory over Euphony (2) in Balmoral's six-furlong Coronet Stakes. She had won the Kentucky Oaks at the Churchill Downs meeting.

Behind Lori-El came Nile Lily, Woodlawn, Salamanca, Pillow Talk, Jolie Fille, and Queen Wirra. Pillow Talk took the Oaks Prep at Churchill Downs, and Great Pride, Nile Lily, and Lori-El finished in that order behind her.

In the 1¼-mile Kentucky Oaks two entries were in equal favor with the bettors, Cain Hoy Stable's Nile Lily and Jota Jota and Mrs. Ada L. Rice's Great Pride and Pamper Me. The players let Lori-El get away at nearly 5½ to 1. Nile Lily held a three-length lead over Lori-El for the first half-mile, but Lori-El took control on the stretch turn, and easily pulled away to a four-length victory in 1:44. Behind her were Pillow Talk, Dale's Delight, Woodlawn, Great Pride, Nile Lily, and six others.

Ten days later at Washington Park Lori-El won the six-furlong Coronet Stakes. This time she was an odds-on favorite over five other competitors, most of which were a cut below the runners she had faced in Kentucky. She ran close to the pace to the eighth-pole, where she took the initiative and won by 1½ lengths over Euphony. Dale's Delight was third.

After the La Salle she ran once at Belmont Park, going unplaced in Bayou's Acorn Stakes, and twice at Delaware Park, unplaced to Evening Time at 1¼ miles and to Bayou in the nine-furlong Delaware Oaks.

J. A.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	8	5	0	1	2	\$10,800
1957	3	12	5	1	2	4	57,625
		20	10	1	3	6	\$68,425

LOUIS D'OR, b. c., 1955, Centime—
Irish Magpie, by *Shannon II. Wil-
liam Goadby Loew, breeder; Mrs. W.
Thorn Kissel, owner; J. Dallet Byers,
trainer.

The Sanford Stakes at Saratoga has produced as many upsets as any other stakes. There was Man o' War for example. The 1957 winner was the players' favorite, but it certainly was an upset of

Centime, ch., 1950	{Pavot	{Case Ace
		{Coquelicot
	{Copper Jade	{Jamestown
LOUIS D'OR, b. c., 1955		{Golden Septre
	{*Shannon II	{Midstream
	{Irish Magpie, dk. b., 1950	{Idle Words
	{*Nordresa	{Lovelace
		{*Celerina

something when a son of a stallion standing for a \$10 groom's fee won a stakes as handily as Louis d'Or did. The Sanford winner's sire was standing at The Jockey Club's Lookover Stallion Station in Avon, N. Y., as a sire of hunting stock. (Centime later was moved to Kentucky for the 1958 season.)

Louis d'Or, a handsome animal, was never worse than third in his eight races between June 8 and the end of August. He won three of his starts in that period, the Sanford being his only stakes, but he was also second in the Hopeful and third in three other stakes against the best 2-year-olds around at the time.

The Sanford was not necessarily the best of these races. Louis d'Or (116) received three pounds from Deadeye Dick and the Flash Stakes winner Wing Jet, and scored by 2½ lengths in 1:13½.

His next race was the 6½-furlong Hopeful Stakes, and he was second to Rose Trellis. Louis d'Or was in a drive when he came alongside Rose Trellis at the head of the stretch. Instead of continuing normally around the turn, Rose Trellis went so wide that for a moment it appeared that jockey Raul Sterling and Louis d'Or were going to be forced to the outside fence. By the time they straightened away they were about ten feet from the outside rail. Louis d'Or slowly faded until he was 2½ lengths back of the winner at the wire. Considering that he had lost more than five lengths when the winner drifted out, there seemed to be a logical claim of foul. None was entered by Sterling, who never rode the horse again.

In the best of Louis d'Or's other races he was third to Jewel's Reward and Li'l

Fella in the Tremont, beaten 1½ lengths; third to Wing Jet and Counter Spy in the Flash, beaten 2¾ lengths; and third to Jimmer and Plion in the Grand Union Hotel Stakes, beaten about six lengths. In each of these events he was losing ground at the finish. Louis d'Or won three of 11 races, placed in five others, and earned \$36,230. P. O'B.

***LUCKY DIP, b. c., 1954, Alizier-Happy Grace, by His Grace. E. Cruz Valer, breeder (in France); Cain Hoy Stable (Harry Guggenheim), owner; W. C. Stephens, trainer. 111**

Bred in France, *Lucky Dip was purchased privately as a weanling by Harry Guggenheim's Cain Hoy Stable. By Alizier, winner of the 1950 Grand Prix de Deauville and the 1951 Prix d'Harcourt, he was out of the good English race mare Happy Grace, a half-sister to the Two Thousand Guineas winner Happy Knight and to Happy Landing, winner of the Bedford Stakes and second in the Middle Park and Coventry Stakes, third in the English Derby.

A small, excellently conformed colt, he raced three times at two. In his first three stakes at three he was ninth in the Fountain of Youth, fifth in the Blue Grass, and fourth in the Jersey, but he showed a good improvement in the 1¼-mile Kent Stakes at Delaware Park on June 1. Well off the early pace, *Lucky Dip (114) closed strongly to beat Inswept (120) by 1½ lengths, with Assemblyman (112) third.

A week after the Kent, *Lucky Dip won the 1½-mile Leonard Richards Stakes, also at Delaware Park. Carrying 119 pounds, he got up in the final strides to beat Field of Honor (114) by a neck. Gama (114) was third, and the also-rans included Bakht (114), Barbizon (119), Missile (119), Pop Corn (114), Inswept (114), and We Trust (114).

Beaten 26 lengths by *Gallant Man in

the Belmont Stakes, *Lucky Dip made his last start in the Independence Day Stakes at Narragansett Park, a mile and 70 yards. Going into the first turn another horse ran up on his heels, severing the superficial flexor tendon of the left hind leg. After the race it was announced he would be retired. D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	3	1	1	1	0	\$ 3,365
1957	3	15	4	3	2	6	76,325
		—	—	—	—	—	—
		18	5	4	3	6	\$79,690

LYFORD CAY, b. c., 1954, Chop Chop—Famous Maid, by *Fairaris. E. P. Taylor, breeder and owner; George McCann, trainer. 108

Lyford Cay unquestionably was the best 3-year-old colt in Canada in 1957, and he was not far below the filly Pink Velvet, one of the best Canadian performers of the last decade. Bred and raced by E. P. Taylor, Lyford Cay in 1956 placed in both the Coronation Futurity and the Cup and Saucer Handicap, the Dominion's top races for 2-year-olds.

He began the 1957 campaign with a victory at Old Woodbine on May 24, and on June 3 he went after the first division of the Queen's Plate Trial, 1¼ miles, and won by eight lengths, eased up. Five days later he took the Queen's Plate with even greater ease, beating his stablemate Chopadette by 12 lengths, establishing a new track record of 2:02½ for 1¼ miles.

Two weeks after the Queen's Plate Lyford Cay (119) met Pink Velvet (114) the first time in the six-furlong Woodstock Stakes. The filly took the lead early, shutting off Lyford Cay as she left the backstretch, and won by a head, but the stewards gave first money to the Taylor colt. In the 1¼-mile Toronto Cup on July 13 Lyford Cay (126) conceded seven pounds to Pink Velvet. After staying close to her pace for six furlongs, he dropped to fourth,

lost by seven lengths. A bowed tendon then put him out of action for the remainder of the year. D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	6	3	2	1	0	\$ 6,475
1957	3	5	4	0	0	1	37,000
		11	7	2	1	1	\$43,475

MANASSAS, b. c., 1953, by Bull Run-Laura Lee, by *Princequillo. J. Gilbert Haus and Allen W. Lavin, breeders; John Zitnik, owner and trainer. 119

Horses like Manassas add glamor to horse racing and make every little guy in the sport think he's got a chance. On the morning of Memorial Day, 1957, Manassas was a nobody. Less than two months later Manassas had won five consecutive races on the grass, including Arlington Park's Stars and Stripes Handicap and the rich Arlington Handicap on July 27.

Before May 30 Manassas had taken only one of five starts, a 5½-furlong affair in the mud at Oaklawn Park in his season's bow, February 25. He was outrun in two minor events at Oaklawn Park and in two others at Churchill Downs.

Manassas had won three races at two and four at three, earning a total of \$19,418. His best performances at three were a second to Swoon's Son at Churchill Downs and a third to Coliseo in the Inaugural Handicap at Randall Park.

Bred by racing officials Gil Haus and Doc Lavin, Manassas was sold as an unraced 2-year-old in March, 1955, to big (265-pound) John Zitnik, one-time farmer and gold miner. For 25 years Zitnik had scratched a living in racing's hinterlands. After Manassas' sudden fame, Zitnik wouldn't tell what he had paid for the horse. "I promised Doc Lavin I wouldn't," he said. Obviously, Manassas, first foal out of a mare which won \$1,825 in her lifetime, hadn't cost much. On May 30 at the Balmoral meeting Manassas (118) came from far behind to win by four lengths over *King

	{ Bull Lea	{ *Bull Dog
		{ Rose Leaves
Bull Run, b., 1946	{ Myrtlewood	{ Blue Larkspur
		{ *Frizeur
MANASSAS, b. c., 1953		{ Prince Rose
	{ *Princequillo	{ *Cosquilla
Laura Lee, br., 1947		{ Neddie
	{ Pentagon Lady	{ Sun Surplice

Bruce II (118), handling six furlongs on the turf in 1:10%. Five days later, going 1½ miles, Manassas (119) put on another late kick to beat *Innishowen (117) by 3½ lengths.

The three-horse Zitnik stable moved to Arlington Park, where on June 24 in another 1½-mile event Manassas scored by two lengths over *Blue Choir with *Innishowen third and Blue Volt fourth.

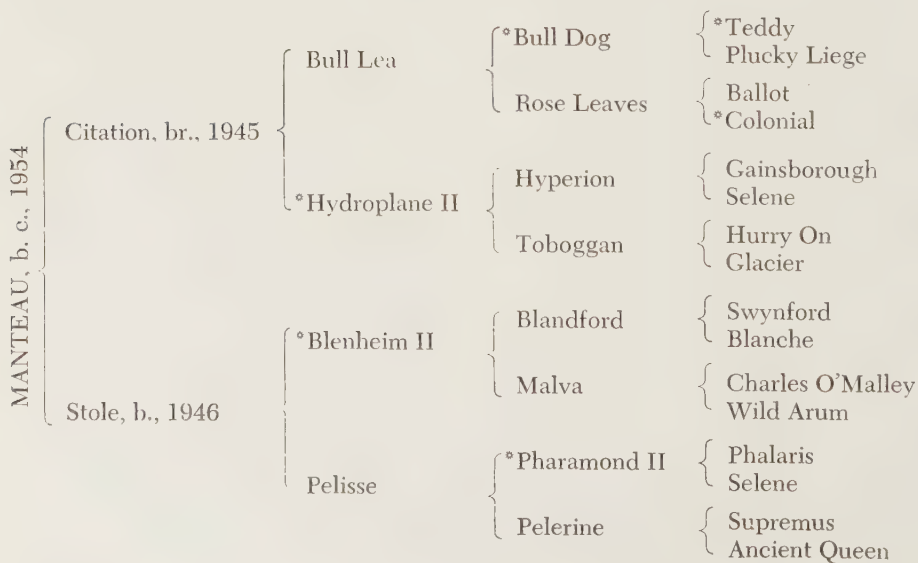
In the Stars and Stripes Handicap at 1½ miles on July 4 Manassas (115) was the third highweight behind Sir Tribal (119) and Blue Volt (117). Well back of the pace-making Call Me Lucky (109) for six furlongs, Manassas took the lead inside the eighth-pole and held off the late charges of *Bryn (105) and Bernburgoo (112) to win by 1¼ lengths. Time over a soft course was 1:50%. Among the also-rans was *Mahan (112).

Then came Manassas' most important victory, the Arlington Handicap on July 27. Swoon's Son (128) was an even-money favorite; the other runners under 10-1 were Manassas (66-10) and *Festin (71-10). *Mars II (107), *Festin (112), and Call Me Lucky (106) battled for the early lead. Swoon's Son and Manassas (121) were fourth and fifth, a couple of lengths off the leaders. Both Swoon's Son, with Dave Erb, and Manassas, with Doug Dodson, were in a challenging position at the top of the stretch. Erb seemed to hesitate. Dodson, on the right of Erb, made a sudden move. Manassas went by Swoon's Son with a swish, crossed over to the rail without interfering with his rival and collared Call Me Lucky just past the eighth-pole. Swoon's Son closed steadily to be second, two lengths behind. *St. Vincent (120) closed a big gap to be third, another



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MANTEAU



2½ lengths back. Time for the 1 3/16 miles was 1:55%.

For his final start of the year, the Arch Ward Handicap at Washington Park on August 17, Manassas was the highweight at 126 pounds. For the first time in six races he tasted defeat. He finished steadily, however, to take second place behind Hoop Band (113).

With an eye on the Internal Revenue Department, owner-trainer Zitnik then retired Manassas for the year. Manassas was the first \$100,000 winner for Bull Run, an unraced son of Bull Lea-Myrtlewood, which stands at A. B. Karsner's farm, Lexington.

J. A.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	8	3	0	1	4	\$ 4,806
1956	3	12	4	5	1	2	14,612
1957	4	11	6	1	0	4	126,520
31 13 6 2 10							\$145,938

**MANOTICK, gr. m., 1952, Double Jay-
*Scenery II, by Biribi. Claiborne Farm
(A. B. Hancock Jr.), breeder; C. T.
Chenery, owner; J. H. Hayes, trainer.
ARH 1956. 112**

Manotick, like the other old gray mare, may not have been in 1957 what she used to be, but, as the saying goes, she was far better than an empty stall. Running eight times during the year, Manotick boosted her earnings over the \$200,000 mark, the final push coming in a victory in Monmouth Park's Molly Pitcher Handicap. Running 1½ miles in 1:42%, Manotick (118) defeated Rare Treat (120) by 1½ lengths, best time ever run in the stakes. The long-bodied gray mare ran her usual come-from-behind race, picking up the leaders in the last quarter-mile.

She raced once after the Molly Pitcher, finishing last in the Top Flight Handicap, bearing out for the first time. Manotick then was retired.

Excuses are a dime a dozen for any racer, but Manotick had valid reasons for scoring only one victory in her

last season. In three of her first four starts she was knocked into the rail, stumbled to her knees at the start, and was shut off sharply. In four campaigns Manotick won eight of 65 races, placed 25 times, and earned \$204,435. P. O'B.

**MANTEAU, b. c., 1954, Citation-
Stole, by *Blenheim II. Louis Lee
Haggin II, breeder and owner;
Howard Hoffman, trainer. 119**

Winless in four starts as a 2-year-old, Manteau began coming to hand in April of his 3-year-old season and became one of the best of a good division. He was a big-bodied colt, plain, strong, and impressive, and he did not like off tracks.

Manteau showed little in four races in Florida, but at the Keeneland meeting he won once and finished third to Round Table and One-Eyed King in the Blue Grass Stakes. Moving to Chicago, he continued to improve. He won two overnight sprints, and in the six-furlong Domino Stakes on Memorial Day he came from far back with a tremendous surge to win by 1¼ lengths over Jet Colonel and Hatibound in 1:10%.

Manteau was favored in the Chicagoan Stakes on June 8, but caught a muddy track and finished seventh to Better Bee. The track was dry and fast at ThistleDown for the 1½-mile Ohio Derby, however, and Manteau won by six lengths in 1:49. Shan Pac and Air Wonder were second and third.

The track again was off for the Laurance Armour Memorial Stakes at Arlington Park on June 29 and the Arlington Classic July 13. In the paddock before the Classic Louis Lee Haggin II said wryly, "Looks like we just bring on the mud."

Nonetheless, Manteau ran good races. Under 120 pounds he was a close third to Iron Liege (126) and Greek Game (123) in the seven-furlong Laurance Armour, and under 117 pounds he was third to Clem (117) and Iron Liege (123) in the Classic.

On September 21 at Atlantic City Manteau (113) was second to the older sprinter Decathlon (132) in the seven-furlong Longport Handicap, run in 1:21½. Manteau was beaten 1½ lengths after a steady race.

Manteau wound up the season with four races at four different tracks, scoring two notable victories at 1½ miles. The first came against older horses in the Quaker City Handicap at Garden State Park on October 12. Under 110 pounds, Manteau defeated Tick Tock (114) by a neck in 1:49, with Wise Margin (117) third. In his season's finale Manteau (115) held on gamely through the stretch to score a head decision over Assemblyman (117) in the Yankee Handicap at Suffolk Downs on October 30. The time was 1:49½.

Manteau was the second foal of Stole,

which won three races and earned \$50,250 for Haggin. Most of her money was picked up in stakes placings—second in the Misty Isle and Beverly Handicaps, the Royal Oak, Princess Pat, Matron, and Rose Leaves Stakes, third in four other major events. J. A.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	4	0	2	0	2	\$ 1,340
1957	3	19	7	1	5	6	121,062
23 7 3 5 8							\$122,402

MARGARETTA, ch. f., 1955, Beau Max-La Marga, by Depth Charge. King Ranch, breeder; Ernest H. Lane, owner; Monte Preston, trainer. 110

For many years Ernest H. Lane, veteran foreman at the King Ranch in Texas, has raced a number of precocious



Turfotos

Manteau (2) was engaged by Tick Tock at the eighth-pole in the 1½-mile Quaker City Handicap, and held on to beat the older horse a neck. Wise Margin was in third place, another 1½ lengths back.

2-year-olds at the Fair Grounds in New Orleans. The horses, bought from King Ranch, had modest credentials and some of them did rather well. Many of them were sired by Depth Charge, whose offspring were suited to the short races of winter and early spring. From New Orleans the Lane string usually moved to one of the smaller tracks in the Middle West, frequently to Sportsman's Park in Chicago.

The Lane outfit showed up in New Orleans in 1957 with two speedy daughters of Beau Max, which stands at the Kentucky branch of King Ranch. They were Margaretta and Anaqua. Margaretta won a maiden race on February 18, in her first start. Anaqua won the Debutante Stakes in her debut. Anaqua soon was laid low by ailments, and it was Margaretta, best of La Marga's four foals of racing age, which went on to become one of the top-ranking 2-year-old fillies.

Margaretta won another race at the Fair Grounds, then was sent to Keeneland, where on April 11 she closed stoutly to finish in a dead heat for second with Alliance, the winner being Oil Sweep. The pattern of Margaretta's best races was set—close behind the pace for a half-mile, then a surge at the top of the stretch.

On May 4, two races before the Kentucky Derby, a field of 13 competed for the five-furlong Debutante Stakes, and Margaretta was much the best. Second at the top of the stretch, she quickly took command and drew out to win by 5½ lengths from Errard's Isle. Hasty Doll was close behind, third. The time was :59%. A week later Margaretta beat Bumpy Road and Casting at five furlongs.

The next stop was for the Balmoral meeting at Washington Park, where on May 22 she was out for the 5½-furlong Miss Chicago Stakes. Margaretta was two lengths back at the head of the stretch, led by 1½ lengths at the eighth-pole, but lost a neck decision to Hasty Doll, which proved her most persistent

rival all summer. Some observers thought jockey Vidal Guajardo had lost the race through overconfidence.

Margaretta then made a foray to ThistleDown, where she won a five-furlong race by four lengths, then took the Susan Stakes by 4½ lengths.

For the Pollyanna Stakes at Arlington Park on July 4, Doug Dodson piloted the compact filly to an easy 3½-length decision over Hasty Doll, with Leisure Lady third, and the filly then was sent to Randall Park, near Cleveland. Guajardo was aboard again as she took the Miss Cleveland Stakes in 1:04½ for 5½ furlongs, four-fifths of a second slower than the track record. Margaretta was driving to beat Dry Powder home by 1½ lengths. Coletta Charge finished third.

Margaretta then returned to Chicago and concluded her campaign four races later. Her big objectives were the Arlington Lassie Stakes and the Princess Pat Stakes, for both of which she was made a supplementary nominee. She won neither race, but the gamble returned a dividend.

The six-furlong Lassie, on July 27, was won by another supplementary nominee, the unbeaten Poly Hi, which had won five races against the best fillies in the East. Poly Hi was a 13-10 favorite, with Margaretta second choice at 24-10. Margaretta and Poly Hi ran together for a quarter, after which Poly Hi drew ahead by a length. Margaretta ran a bit wide on the stretch bend, and two others slipped past her. She finished behind Poly Hi, Delnita, and Hasty Doll, beaten 4¾ lengths.

At Washington Park on August 8 she won at six furlongs, but the race was not impressive. She was in front by 1½ lengths with a furlong to go, then was all out to win by three-quarters of a length over Carrie Louise, which was receiving five pounds.

In the six-furlong Princess Pat Margaretta was held in third place while Ethel Rita and Poly Hi battled for the early lead. Both Margaretta and Hasty

Doll moved up to challenge near the stretch bend. The early leaders faltered, and with a quarter-mile to go Margaretta had a half-length edge over her rival. But Hasty Doll had been used more conservatively in the sticky going, and she went ahead to win by 2½ lengths.

Margaretta's last race was in the Mademoiselle Stakes, six furlongs over a sloppy track on August 28. She set the pace for a half-mile, then faltered to finish third behind Melody Mine and Carrie Louise. She won 10 of her 17 starts, was three times second, once third, earned \$77,028. J. A.

MARKET BASKET, ch. f., 1954,
*Radiotherapy-Sybil, by *Beau Pere.
George W. Ring, breeder; Mrs. Connie M. Ring, owner; J. M. Phillips, trainer. 114

At Louis B. Mayer's sale of 2-year-olds in January, 1949, the late George W. Ring, one of California's most respected turfmen, paid the second-highest price of the evening, \$50,000, for Sybil, first foal of the good race mare Whirlabout. Sybil started only four times, then joined the broodmares at Three Rings Ranch, at Beaumont, Calif., which George and Connie Ring were developing into one of the Thoroughbred showplaces in southern California. Her first two foals were Sybils Host, which never won, and Getoutmeway, which finally deserted the ranks of maidens at four. Market Basket, her third foal, became the best home-bred produced at Three Rings Ranch and probably the best horse ever to carry Mrs. Ring's colors.

Market Basket had a quiet, matter-of-fact attitude about almost everything, and the first day she stepped on a track trainer Jack Phillips tagged her with the nickname of Grandma, because she reminded him of a 7- or 8-year-old broodmare.

In the colors of Mrs. Ring she won stakes in 1957 on both coasts—the Santa Susana Handicap at Santa Anita, the

Goose Girl Stakes and the Oaks at Hollywood Park, and the Pageant Stakes at Atlantic City.

Standing 15:2 and weighing about 1,020 pounds, Market Basket had all the size she needed to handle any company, and twice during the year, on the afternoons that she raced to easy victories in the Goose Girl and the Pageant, Phillips earnestly believed she could have handled any 3-year-old filly in the country.

In her first start of the season at Santa Anita, Market Basket stumbled badly coming out of the gate, tore a quarter, then was swallowed up in the field, beaten more than 13 lengths by Sully's Trail. The injury, her only one of the year, was not too serious; it set her back only about 10 days in her training. In her next start she improved to fifth, then got three straight seconds. One of these was in the 6-furlong Santa Ynez Stakes, in which Market Basket (116) out-ran to the stretch, ran over all her rivals except Sully's Trail (116) and was beaten a little more than a length.

In the Santa Susana, Sully's Trail (121) and Market Basket (118) met again, and this time the distance was a mile. The race marked the end of Sully's Trail's winning streak of six consecutive victories. Tourbillonte (116) set the pace to the top of the stretch, then held on doggedly before giving way to *Royal Rasher (114) at about the eighth-pole. While they were battling for the lead, Market Basket closed a big gap to win in the last stride. Her time for the mile was 1:37%.

Market Basket did not race again until the summer session began at Hollywood Park, when, carrying 121 pounds, she swept to an easy five-length victory over Tourbillonte (112) in the Goose Girl Stakes at six furlongs. After Darling Adelle and Tourbillonte had fought head-and-head for the lead, Market Basket roared out of tenth place to run the last three furlongs in :35, winning eased up in 1:10%. It was such an impressive performance that Market Basket

Mrs. Connie M. Ring's Market Basket, a daughter of °Radiotherapy, was one of the best fillies of 1957. She received 114 pounds in the Blood-Horse Handicap.



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was made an odds-on favorite in the Honeymoon Stakes, but she was unplaced to Fanciful Miss (109) after encountering bad racing luck all the way. The highweight under 121 pounds, she bobbled at the start, and was forced to alter her course near the half-mile post when seeking racing room.

Two weeks later Market Basket, sharing top weight of 121 pounds with the Honeymoon winner, whipped pretty much the same field in the Hollywood Oaks. Fanciful Miss was last, but Pamper Me (115) forced Market Basket to give her best. At the top of the stretch, with Market Basket leading by a length, jockey Ray York's whip had broken, and he had faced the desperate challenger without a weapon. Seventy yards from the wire, the two were on even terms, but then Market Basket

inched ahead again to win by a neck in 1:49½ for the nine furlongs.

Having whipped the best 3-year-old fillies, Market Basket went after older fillies and mares in her last start at Hollywood before leaving on an eastern campaign. For the 1½-mile Vanity Handicap on June 29 Market Basket, carrying 109 pounds, ran closer to the early pace than usual. She was in striking position to the last quarter, but she could not match the closing charge of the 4-year-old Annie-Lu-San (108) and finished sixth, beaten seven lengths. Miss Todd (115) was second, and Beautillion (122) was third.

On July 28, eight days after her arrival in the East, Market Basket started in the nine-furlong Monmouth Oaks. Carrying 121 pounds, she ran a good ten lengths off the pace for the first half-mile and

went into the stretch about five lengths back. At the sixteenth-pole, when it seemed she might have a chance, she weakened. Romanita (117) won by a nose from Evening Time (121), and Market Basket was a length back in third place. Bayou (121), the 3-1 favorite, was another three lengths back in sixth place.

For the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Matriarch Handicap, Market Basket was favored at 7-10, and she had top weight of 113 pounds. The 4-year-old Pardala (110) won by 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths from Attica (110), and Market Basket again was third. The chestnut daughter of *Radiotherapy moved on to Atlantic City, where, trying the turf for the first and only time during her career, she beat fillies of her own age in the Pageant Stakes, with speed in reserve. Well off the early pace, Market Basket moved with a rush near the half-mile-pole, and drew away to win by more than three lengths from Pink Velvet.

	Hyperion	Gainsborough
*Radiotherapy, ch., 1943	Selene	
	Belleua	Stratford
MARKET BASKET, ch. f., 1954	Passee	
	*Beau Pere	Son-in-Law
Sybil, b., 1947	Cinna	
	Whirlabout	Pompey
		Lost Horizon

The filly, with 113 pounds, had difficulty handling the deep footing at Saratoga, and she was climbing most of the 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -mile Alabama Stakes, finishing a soundly beaten eighth, more than a dozen lengths behind King Ranch's Here and There (113). Snow White (113) and Outer Space (121) were second and third.

In Market Basket's last start in the East she was sixth to Bayou in the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Gazelle Handicap at Belmont Park. As usual, Market Basket was far back in the early running, but she was no farther back than Bayou, which came around the field on the final turn to win

in handy fashion. The two were burdened equally with 120 pounds. R. H.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	16	3	4	2	7	\$19,185
1957	3	14	4	3	2	5	73,232
		—	—	—	—	—	—
		30	7	7	4	12	\$92,417

MARULLAH, b. f., 1954, °Nasrullah-Marguery, by °Sir Gallahad III. Belair Stud (William Woodward Jr.) breeder; John S. Kroese, owner; Sidney J. Smith, trainer. ARH 1956. 106

Marullah started off the year with a bang, winning her first start and running a creditable second in the Betsy Ross Stakes at Garden State Park. Under 121 pounds, she came on strongly in the Betsy Ross, to be 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ lengths off Evening Time (111) in 1:11 $\frac{1}{2}$. The speedy I Offbeat was another half-length back in third place.

It was not until September that Marullah came back with a winning race, but it was a marvel. Ambling along through Belmont's stretch, she increased her advantage to 15 lengths at the wire, largest margin of victory in the 1,688 races run in New York in 1957, excepting the jumping events. Marullah was timed in 1:10 $\frac{10}{100}$ for the six furlongs, beating Hatsu, Magic Spell, and others. (In their last previous race Hatsu had beaten Marullah by 10 lengths.) Six days later Bold Ruler beat her about 13 lengths in a six-furlong overnight.

Marullah's form was undependable in 1957, when she won two of 13 starts and earned \$16,775. At two she had won five of 13 races, including the Sorority Stakes, and had earned \$41,350. P. O'B.

McTAVISH, b. c., 1955, °Khaled-Scottish Miss, by °Alibhai. Rex C. Ellsworth, breeder and owner; Meshach Tenney, trainer. 112

McTavish won one of five races against moderate competition, and in

his sixth and last race, against a field of 2-year-olds a cut below the best on the West Coast, he won by three-quarters of a length over Circle Lea, which later won the California Thoroughbred Breeders' Association Sales Stakes. On the strength of this record, the colt was given the relatively high weight of 112 pounds in the Experimental Free Handicap.

In the 5½-furlong affair of July 19 McTavish ran three to five lengths off the pace until the stretch. He caught the favorite Beau Madison at the sixteenth-pole, opened a three-quarter-length lead, and held off the drive of Circle Lea. His time, 1:04½, was 2% seconds slower than Porterhouse's track record. After the first three came Doc Pepper, Cuter Yet, Prize Host, and four others. The record: six starts, two wins, two thirds, earnings of \$7,400.

D. M.B. III

MEANT WELL, ch. f., 1955, Intent-Countess Molly, by Menow. Mrs. Edward S. Moore, breeder; Circle M Farm (Mrs. Moore), owner; C. W. Parish, trainer. 109

Busiest of the year's leading 2-year-old fillies was Joe Price's half-sister Meant Well, from the first crop by the good handicap horse Intent. Although her only success in 18 starts was against maidens, Meant Well received 109 pounds in the Experimental Free Handicap, 15th highweight among the fillies, and the ranking seemed entirely logical.

Meant Well still was a maiden when she went out for the five-furlong Fashion Stakes at Jamaica on May 22. Fairly close throughout, she finished fourth to Poly Hi, Oil Rich, and Lady Lyric, beaten four lengths. In the Polly Drummond Stakes at Delaware Park, five furlongs on June 5, she stayed within two lengths of the pace for three furlongs, then tired slightly in the stretch and finished third to Dance Card, beaten four lengths.

Meant Well showed one of her best

rallies of the year in the 5½-furlong Colleen Stakes at Monmouth Park on June 29. Tenth at the top of the stretch, she passed all but Poly Hi, which won by five lengths. Behind her were Noordeen, Pocahontas, Dance Card, and Melody Mine.

At Saratoga on August 15 Meant Well scored her only victory, handily beating Sweet Revelation, Beguiling, and 11 others in a 5½-furlong maiden race. Running closer to the pace than usual in the Matron Stakes at Belmont Park on September 21, she tired in the last quarter and dropped to sixth behind Idun and Poly Hi. The lesson was clear enough, and thereafter she was allowed to come from off the pace. In the seven-furlong Astarita Stakes at Belmont on September 30 she was six lengths back at the quarter-pole, went to the lead at the eighth-pole, then weakened suddenly and in the last 50 yards Polamby, Merry Lark, and Lopar swept into the first three places. She was beaten a half-length.

Meant Well was unable to get close to Idun in the 1¼-mile Gardenia Stakes, but she gained steadily to finish third, four lengths behind the winner and only a half-length behind Craftiness. Behind her were many of the year's top fillies, including Quig Flame, Guide Line, Locust Time, Armorial, Kapitor, Sally Lee, Polamby, Glorious Nymph, and Sequoia.

In her last race, the 1¼-mile Frizette Stakes on October 30, Meant Well was unplaced to Idun. The record: 18 starts, one win, four seconds, four thirds, earnings of \$26,035. D. M. B. III

MELODY MINE, b. f., 1955, The Doge-Magic Melody, by Zacaweista. Old Hickory Farm, Inc. (Phil T. Chinn), breeder; W. H. Bishop, owner and trainer. 109

For the past dozen years or so owner-trainer William Hal Bishop has saddled more winners in Chicago than any other trainer. He never had won a stakes,

though, until Melody Mine took the Mademoiselle Stakes at Washington Park on August 28. Matter of fact, only other stakes he ever won was the 1955 Duncan F. Kenner at the Fair Grounds, with Skeptical Kid.

Bishop, a tall, husky, hard-working horseman, has a constant turnover of stock by claiming and private purchase. He bought Melody Mine from her breeder, Col. Phil T. Chinn, for \$7,500 on February 27, shortly after she had opened her racing campaign, and on March 26 at Bowie she broke her maiden. She won once more, then accompanied the stable to Garden State Park, where on May 8, carrying 116 pounds, she lost a neck decision to Dandy Blitzen (109) after setting all the pace. In the Rancocas Stakes a week later Melody Mine (116) opened up a four-length lead after a half-mile, was in front by two at the stretch call, but lost by a neck to Oil Rich (113). It may have been that jockey Harold Keene could have rated her better. Time for the five furlongs was :59%.

Melody Mine was unplaced to Poly Hi in the Colleen Stakes at Monmouth Park, after which Bishop returned to Chicago. In a six-furlong allowance test at Washington Park on August 16 she went off at better than 20-1, and, leading throughout, she defeated such tough fillies as My Carrie and Valiant Ship.

The Mademoiselle Stakes was 12 days later. Margaretta, the odds-on favorite, set the pace, with Melody Mine never more than a length behind. Bishop's filly took the lead at the top of the stretch and cantered home by three lengths. Carrie Louise got up to beat Margaretta for second.

Melody Mine ran in three other stakes, finishing second to Moon Glory in Hawthorne's Durazna, unplaced to Terra Firma in the Hawthorne Juvenile, and second to Police Call in the Land of Lincoln at Sportsman's Park. The record: 14 starts, four firsts, six seconds, two thirds, and earnings of \$28,510. J. A.

MIDAFTERNOON, b. h., 1952, Billings-Mideau, by *Bull Dog. Mrs. E. E. Robbins, breeder and owner; T. M. Waller, trainer. ARH 1956. 119

Midafternoon, a prominent handicap horse in 1956, got to the post only twice in 1957, and won both times.

Tom Waller brought him out on April 22, and the son of Billings came from behind to beat Beam Rider and Flying Bird by 1½ lengths at 1¼ miles. Five days later Midafternoon (126) appeared in the 1¼-mile Excelsior Handicap at Jamaica. He was eight lengths behind Pylades (112) after a half-mile and was about 5½ lengths back after six furlongs. Eddie Arcaro got him going at the top of the stretch, and he wore down Beam Rider (110) and Pylades in the final yards to win by three-quarters of a length, going away. Paper Tiger (116) was fourth, followed by Jet Action (126), Switch On (122), Third Brother (122), Mr. Turf (108), and Tellarian (111).

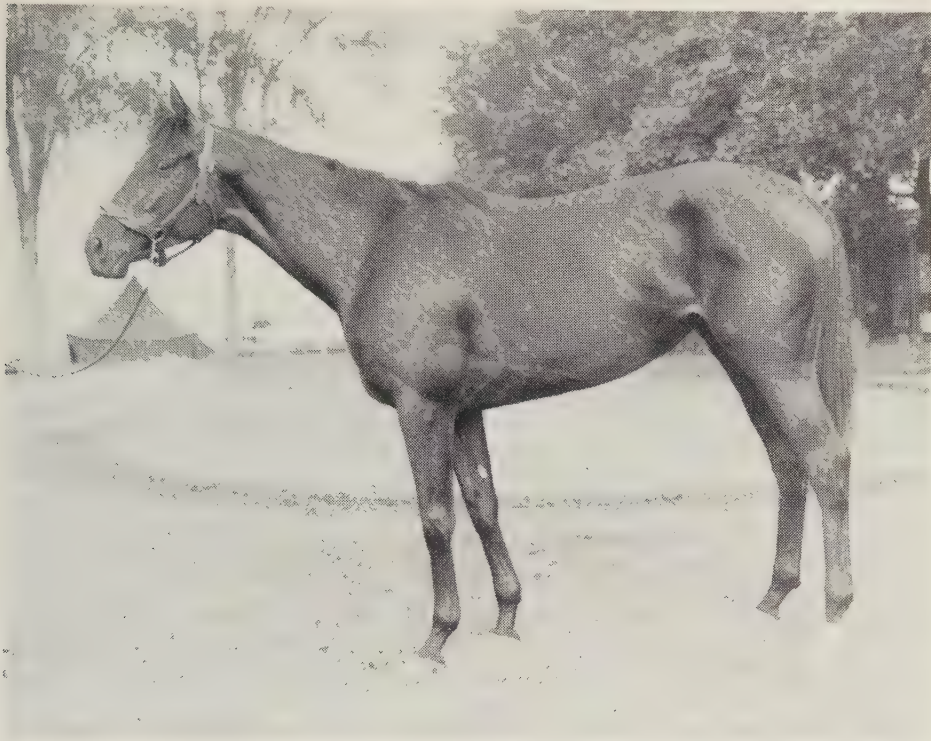
A few days later, Midafternoon showed symptoms of the knee ailment which had caused him to be raced lightly at two and three. He went to Waller's Tanrackin Farm, Bedford Hills, N. Y., for a long rest, and was returned to training late in 1957. D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	7	3	1	0	3	\$ 7,850
1955	3	10	5	1	1	3	16,020
1956	4	18	7	4	3	4	163,575
1957	5	2	2	0	0	0	23,650
		37	17	6	4	10	\$211,095

MISS BLUE JAY, dk. b. f., 1954, Double Jay-Short Supply, by Tiger. Edgar Zantker, breeder; Mrs. Adele Rutchick, owner; Sol Rutchick, trainer. ARH 1956. 105

Miss Blue Jay may have been the best of the 3-year-old fillies at sprinting distances, though the longer races seemed to be beyond her reach. Her best race in 1957 was at seven furlongs.

Miss Blue Jay, a rangy filly of nearly 16 hands, is by Double Jay out of the good winner Short Supply. She was among the best 2-year-olds of 1956 and in a brief campaign in 1957 she won the Test Stakes.



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She went out for the six-furlong Prioress Stakes at Jamaica in her first start of the year. The work tab showed her speed was there, and she was favored. The speed lasted only a half-mile; in the stretch she flattened out to finish fourth, beaten $9\frac{1}{2}$ lengths by the front-running I Offbeat.

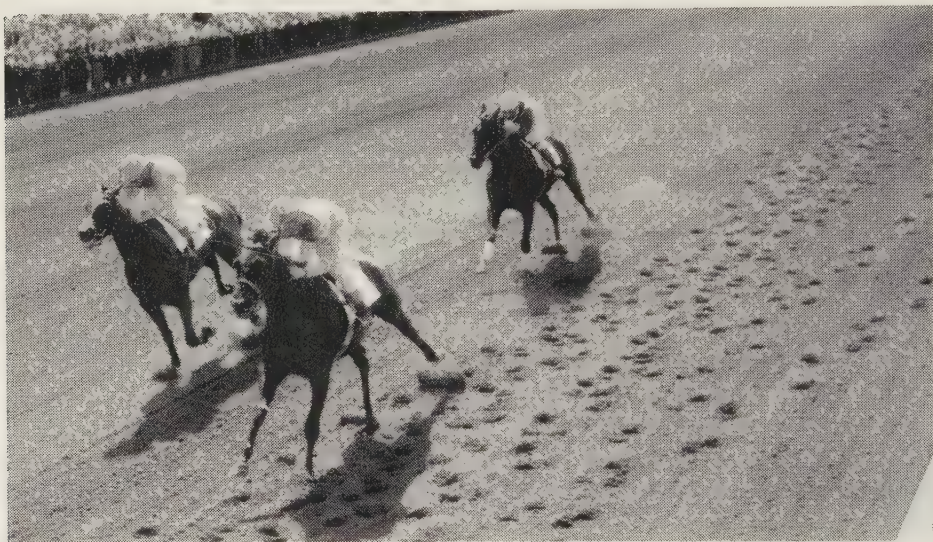
Nearly three months went by before Miss Blue Jay raced again, and for the second time she had a tough spot. A six-furlong race at Belmont Park on July 2 drew only two other starters, but they were the unbeaten Alanesian and Leallah, which had shared divisional honors the previous season. Miss Blue Jay, the outsider, took the lead at the start, held off Alanesian's drive through the stretch, and won by three-quarters of a length.

The Miss Woodford Stakes was next on Miss Blue Jay's schedule, but a poor start ruined her chances in the six-furlong event. She started slowly, made up some ground, but was seven lengths off Mrs. Hellen (112) at the finish. Miss Blue Jay had been hit by so much dirt in the course of the race that her eyes swelled badly, causing her to miss the Monmouth Oaks.

Miss Blue Jay shipped to Saratoga, and on August 5 she whipped Poll-O-Mine, going six furlongs in 1:13. Also in the beaten field were Rare Treat and Alanesian.

Miss Blue Jay then headed for the seven-furlong Test Stakes as a preparation for the Alabama, and performed in her best style. Breaking alertly under 118 pounds, she raced alongside Nile

In her second race in 1957 Miss Blue Jay beat *Alanesian* and *Leallah*, two of the three fillies weighted above her in the 1956 Experimental Handicap. She led all the way, won by nearly three-quarters of a length.



Bert and Richard Morgan

Lily (113) and Outer Space (121) until the eighth-pole, then pulled away, beating Outer Space by 1½ lengths. Bayou (124) was among the beaten.

Good as her performance in the Test was, it didn't fortify her well enough for the Alabama. She had a head lead going into the stretch, but finished two lengths behind the winner, Here and There. The sudden slow-down suggested a recurrence of the persistent soreness which had deprived her of honors on other occasions.

As a 2-year-old Miss Blue Jay won five of seven starts and earned \$46,405. At three she won three of six races and earned \$24,425.

P. O'B.

	{ Balladier	{ Black Toney
Double Jay, dk. br., 1944	{ Blue Warbler	
{ Broomshot	{ Whisk Broom II	
MISS BLUE JAY, dk. br. f., 1954	{ Centre Shot	
	{ *Bull Dog	
{ Tiger	{ Starless Moment	
Short Supply, br., 1949		
{ Anthony's Girl	{ Roman Soldier	
	{ *Eau de Nil	

MISSILE, ch. c., 1954, War Relic-In-ajiffy, by *Heliopolis. Crown Crest Farm (Mr. and Mrs. Howard Reine-man), breeder; John A. Morris, owner; Homer Chesley Pardue, trainer. ARH 1956. 108

In February, 1957, Missile was with the top 3-year-olds. The War Relic colt spotted *Gallant Man five pounds in the Hibiscus Stakes and was beaten a half-length over six furlongs, and conceded Iron Liege and Gen. Duke ten and eight pounds, respectively, when they finished ahead of him going 1¼ miles in 1:42½, a fifth of a second slower than the track record. This form did not continue, in either short or middle-distance races, and it appeared later that Missile's best distance was a flat six furlongs. In his only other stakes placings he was second to King Hairan in the Swift Stakes and third to Gray Phantom and *St. Amour II in the Coral Gables Handicap, both at six furlongs.

In 1956 Missile won the Pimlico Futurity and five other races in 16

starts, earning \$147,344. In 1957 he won two of 15 races, placed seven times, and earned \$22,075. P. O'B.

MISS TODD, ch. f., 1953, Your Host-Rosella, by War Relic. Clifford Mooers, breeder; J. Rukin Jelks, owner; R. L. Wheeler, trainer. ARH 1955-56. 110

In 1954 an Arizona turfman, J. Rukin Jelks, visited the Del Mar sales and for \$8,700 bought a filly from the first crop of the crippled Your Host. Named Miss Todd, in honor of a charming lady who handles Turf Club reservations at Santa Anita Park and Del Mar, she became the fastest filly in California in many a year, and before her racing career ended in August, 1957, she had done everything expected of her except win over what, in American racing, is known as a distance of ground.

In the 23rd start of her career, in the San Diego Handicap at Del Mar, Miss Todd pulled a ligament in her left fore leg. Since Jelks already had planned to retire her after a few more races, the injury merely hastened her departure. She left the tracks with a record of 15 victories and earnings of \$121,710.

Miss Todd was one of the first stakes winners of 1957. On January 1 at Santa Anita, the quick, perfectly balanced filly (116) beat down Mary Machree (120) and held off *Our Betters (119) to post a half-length victory in the Las Flores Handicap. She was clocked in 1:09½ for the six furlongs. She followed this with a five-length victory in the Long Beach Purse on January 10, taking command a stride from the gate, and adding to her margin at every pole. Often it is easier for a speed horse to stay when the going is muddy, and that may have been why Miss Todd's victory at seven furlongs, the longest of her career, was also one of her easiest.

Before the close of the Santa Anita season Miss Todd tried three more times, but was unable to win again. Carrying 124 pounds in the seven-furlong Santa

Monica Handicap she led to mid-stretch before being overpowered by the closing rushes of Mary Machree (122), Triple Jay (120), and *Our Betters (121).

In the nine-furlong Santa Margarita Handicap, Santa Anita's best race for fillies and mares, Miss Todd (116) made her first stab at a "distance," and it was a valiant one. Taking kindly to rating, she led until the last sixteenth of a mile. Even after being headed, she continued to battle gamely and was beaten only a length and a half by *Our Betters (118) and Nooran (111).

In a 1½-mile overnight handicap three weeks later Miss Todd got back at *Our Betters and Nooran, but this time it was *Kings Mistake and Mary Machree which caught her after she had led for a mile.

Miss Todd did not race again until the spring-summer campaign at Hollywood Park, where, first time out, she equaled the six-furlong track record of 1:08½, giving Pucker Up four pounds and beating her three-quarters of a length.

Miss Todd (110) was the only filly in a field of 12 in the Californian Stakes, 1½ miles on May 25. She came out of the gate flying, but so did Duc de Fer, and he had the lead as they raced around the first turn. Find (119) and Round Table (105) were at their heels. At the half-pole Miss Todd took command, but before leaving the backstretch Round Table moved up to challenge and with a quarter-mile to go he was in front. Social Climber (119), driving strongly down the middle of the track, went ahead in the last furlong to win. Miss Todd finished seventh. It was the toughest field she ever had met.

Jelks picked no soft touch for Miss Todd's next start. Tackling older and tougher males again in the Hollywood Express, she finished fourth to Porterhouse, which set a new world record of 1:02½ for 5½ furlongs.

Because of her good race in the Californian, Miss Todd was a lukewarm favorite over fillies and mares in Hollywood Park's Vanity Handicap, even

Miss Todd's last race was in the San Diego Handicap. From the start, something seemed wrong with her. She lacked her customary speed from the gate, and was unable to settle into stride. On the far turn she made a bid, but it was a mild one and she quickly dropped back in distress. First report was that Miss Todd had thrown a stifle, but later examination by veterinarians disclosed the injury to ligaments in the left fore leg.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	8	7	1	0	0	\$ 71,585
1956	3	5	1	3	0	1	6,350
1957	4	10	3	1	2	4	43,775
		23	11	5	2	5	\$121,710

Mister Gus' first race of 1957 was in the seven-furlong San Carlos Handicap, January 26 at Santa Anita Park. Carrying top weight of 128 pounds, he ran close behind the leaders to the stretch, where he engaged Duc de Fer (118). The two runners easily pulled away from the others, and Duc de Fer, although giving ground in the last furlong, held on to win by three-quarters of a length.

lengths behind Terrang (118). After the race it was discovered that the *Nasrullah horse had injured an ankle, and Mrs. Elizabeth Lunn ordered him sent to her farm at Chino, Calif. When the stable shipped to the East Coast after the close of Hollywood Park, however, it was decided to send Mister Gus along.

G. E. W.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1953	2	2	1	0	0	1	\$ 2,600
1954	3	8	2	2	1	3	9,450
1955	4	13	3	5	1	4	109,100
1956	5	17	3	4	2	8	298,050
1957	6	6	1	1	0	4	8,100
		46	10	12	4	20	\$427,300

Mister Jive found a niche about eight lengths off Bold Ruler and *Gallant Man at scale weight, and the spot seemed to suit him. When the other two were not in the ring, Mister Jive, in receipt of four pounds, had little trouble turning back Promised Land and Clem in the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Gotham Stakes at Jamaica on April 13. In the Wood Memorial Bold Ruler and *Gallant Man left him fourth, eight lengths back, and in Iron Liege's Kentucky Derby he was seventh, beaten eight lengths. He had run close to the pace in the Derby, tired in the stretch run, finishing three lengths back of the fourth-place Bold Ruler. In the Laurance Armour Memorial Stakes at Arlington Park Mister Jive (120) was fourth, two lengths off Iron Liege

(126) after being in close quarters in the last furlong. Before the Gotham Stakes he had been second to Promised Land in the Governor's Gold Cup at Bowie.

Mister Jive in 1956 won six of 11 starts and earned \$48,780. In 1957 he won one of ten races, was second once, and earned \$36,900. P. O'B.

MISTY FLIGHT, ch. c., 1955, *Prince-
quillo-Grey Flight, by *Mahmoud.
Wheatley Stable (Mrs. H. C. Phipps),
breeder and owner; James E. Fitz-
simmons, trainer. 122

Still a maiden in July, Misty Flight was the best of the late-developing 2-year-olds. Winner of the Remsen Stakes at Jamaica, he also was second in the Futurity and Champagne Stakes, fourth in the Cowdin Stakes and Pimlico Futurity. The esteem in which he was held during the last three months of the 1957 campaign was indicated by the fact that Misty Flight was favored in each of his last four races, including the Garden State, Remsen, and Pimlico Futurity. Although he won only the Remsen, his come-from-behind style never failed to imbue his backers with optimism for the next race.

One event made this reputation. After winning a maiden race on July 29, Misty Flight was withheld until the Cowdin Stakes at Belmont Park on September 16. The lightly built chestnut gained better than five lengths in the last furlong to be fourth, less than two lengths off the winner, Jewel's Reward. Nadir and Jester were second and third.

His next race was the Fulton Purse at six furlongs down the Widener Course. Bill Shoemaker took the mount on the Wheatley colt, with the guarantee he could ride him back in the rich Futurity. Misty Flight didn't stay as far out of it this time, and, picking up the leaders one by one in the final sixteenth, he drove to a head victory over Fleagle. The winner had skimmed over the sloppy straightaway in 1:09%.

The same plan was used in the Futurity. The colt stayed about 2½ lengths off Alhambra's pace and closed to within a length of Jester, the winner.

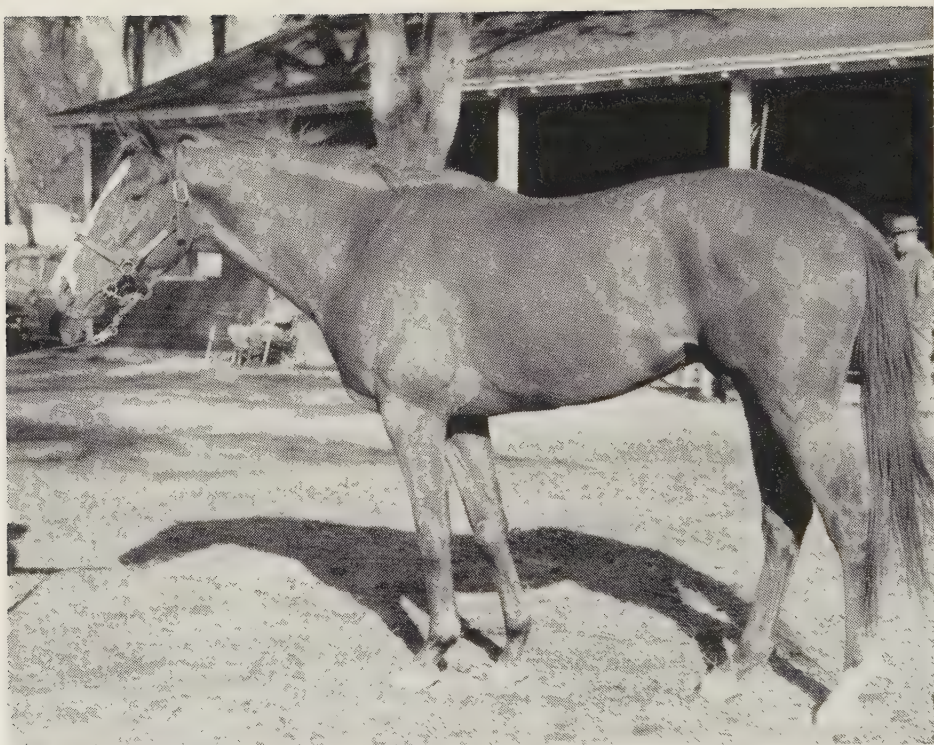
This excellent effort earned Misty Flight a place in the line-up for the one-mile Champagne Stakes three weeks later. Li'l Fella, Jewel's Reward, and Nadir were favored for the richest 2-year-old race ever held in New York. This time Misty Flight (112) came within an ace of turning the trick but a neck separated him from Jewel's Reward (122) at the finish. He had been stopped slightly when Alhambra piled up the field while giving way, but when clear he was unable to pick up the hard-running winner.

Eddie Arcaro had ridden the Wheatley colt in the Champagne and he wanted the mount for the 1¼-mile Garden State Stakes. He got it, and the combination was favored. Nine lengths off the pace around the first turn and able to make up only two lengths before swinging into the second turn, Misty Flight barreled through the stretch to be fifth, four lengths back of Nadir.

Conditions for the Remsen at Jamaica gave Misty Flight allowances of nine pounds because he had yet to win a stakes. With Arcaro two pounds overweight, Misty Flight (113) got home by a neck over Whitley (112) after a duel from the half-mile-pole to the finish.

Misty Flight then headed south as one of the last horses to ship out under the tutelage of the late Bart Sweeney, James Fitzsimmons' right-hand man from Galant Fox through Nashua. Bart was shaking his head when he brought the horse back from Pimlico after an unsuccessful foray. "He can do better, but I can't make him." Misty Flight had been the beaten favorite of the Futurity at Pimlico, finishing unplaced, six lengths back of Jewel's Reward over a muddy track.

Misty Flight was foaled April 22, 1955, at Claiborne Farm, Paris, Ky. His dam was the excellent race mare and producer Grey Flight, whose four pre-



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MISTY FLIGHT

MISTY FLIGHT, ch. c., 1955	*Princequillo, b., 1940	Prince Rose	{	Rose Prince	{	*Prince Palatine
				Indolence	{	Eglantine
	*Cosquilla		{	Papyrus	{	Gay Crusader
				Quick Thought	{	Barrier
	Grey Flight, gr., 1945	*Mahmoud	{	*Blenheim II	{	Tracery
				Mah Mahal	{	Miss Matty
					{	White Eagle
		Planetoid	{	Ariel	{	Mindful
				La Chica	{	Blandford
					{	Malva
					{	Gainsborough
					{	Mumtaz Mahal
					{	Eternal
					{	Adana
					{	Sweep
					{	*La Grisette

vious foals included Misty Morn, Full Flight, and Gray Phantom. His slight frame suggested that he would never quite match the best of his age. In 16 starts he had three wins, three seconds, two thirds, earnings of \$87,048.

P. O'B.

Mlle. DIANNE, b. f., 1954, Call Over-Baymelia, by Supremus. H. H. Polk, breeder and owner; Edward Yowell, trainer. 112

Baymelia, Mlle. Dianne's dam, was a hard-knocking mare which did the bulk of her racing from six to eight; during these three seasons she won ten of 50 races and earned most of her \$12,685 total. The daughter, a half-sister to the stakes winner New Dream, developed earlier in life and showed the ruggedness which was characteristic of her dam. In her long campaign in 1957 she got a rest only in the month of June.

Mlle. Dianne placed in four of the 11 stakes in which she ran. She was second to Kapichan in the 5½-furlong Miss Maryland, third to I Offbeat in the six-furlong Prioress, third to Pink Velvet in the seven-furlong Margate, and second to the older Searching in the 1½-mile Gallorette.

Her performance in the Gallorette may have been her best. Forcing the pace most of the way, Mlle. Dianne (111) drew to within a neck of Searching (117) at the eighth-pole, then allowed the Jacobs mare to pull away to a two-length victory in 1:51½. Snow White (113) was third.

Four of Mlle. Dianne's winning races were at six furlongs, one at 1¼ miles. In two seasons she won eight of 29 races, placed in ten, and earned \$43,747.

P. O'B.

MOON GLORY, b. f., 1955, *Norseman-Moonflower, by *Bull Dog. Brownell Combs and Leslie Combs II, breeders; Leslie Combs II, owner; S. B. Ott, trainer. 114

Moon Glory was small, fragile, and delicate as a deer. She was the first American-bred stakes winner for R. B. Strassburger's *Norseman, which stood at Leslie Combs II's Spendthrift Farm, Lexington, for three years and in 1956 was returned to France, and she was a maternal granddaughter of the noted Myrtlewood. She made her first start at Arlington Park on July 1, losing a head decision to Mrs. John D. Hertz's highly regarded Fleet Ellie. At Hawthorne on September 6 she annexed a maiden event by four lengths.

Between these two races Moon Glory had injured her left fore pastern severely while in the gate for her second start, a couple of weeks after her debut, laying open a wound that took 20 stitches to close.

	Umidwar	Blandford
*Norseman, ch., 1940	Tara	Uganda
		*Teddy
		Jean Gow
MOON GLORY, b. f., 1955		*Teddy
	*Bull Dog	Plucky Liege
Moonflower, b., 1945		Blue Larkspur
	Myrtlewood	*Friseur

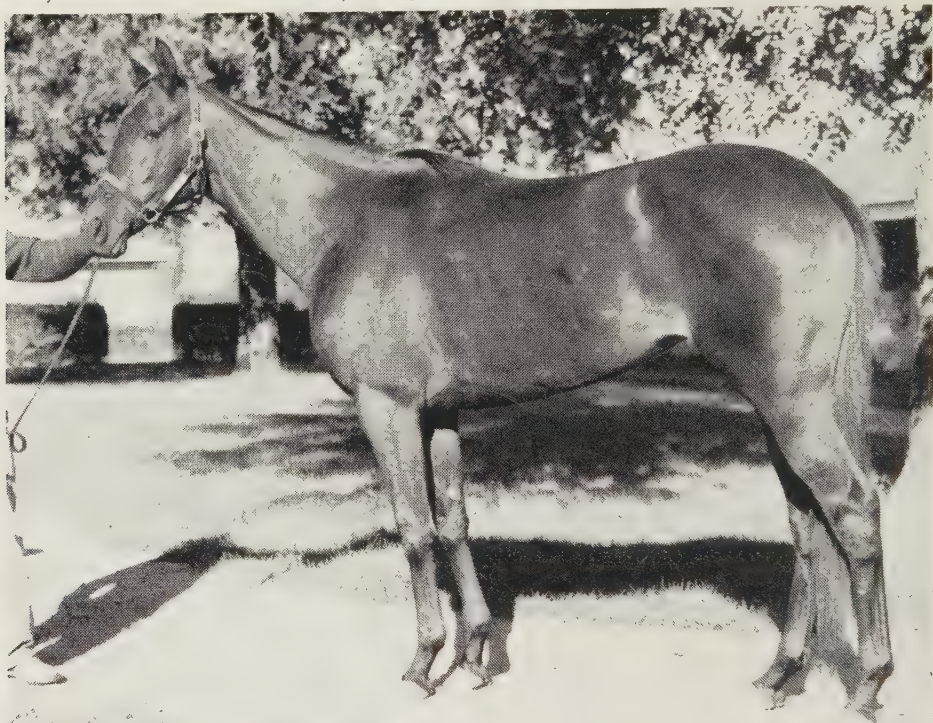
Five days after her victory at Hawthorne Moon Glory (107) came back to take the six-furlong Durazna Stakes by 2½ lengths from Melody Mine (119) and Las Olas (111), drawing away in the last sixteenth. The race was named for a daughter of Myrtlewood.

On October 8 Moon Glory scored easily in a 6-furlong race at Keeneland, and four days later she hit the wire 1½ lengths to the good in the Alcibiades Stakes, seven furlongs and 184 feet. Showing her usual early speed, Moon Glory (119) went to the front at once. Ethel-Rita was close for a half-mile, then dropped back. My Carrie (119) made a race of it from the top of the stretch, but Moon Glory held her off. Carrie Louise (119) finished third.

Trainer Ott, at season's end, said, "I think she'll run all day."

The record: five starts, four wins, one second, and earnings of \$45,288. J. A.

*Moon Glory, a speedy daughter of the French sire *Norseman, lost only one of her five races. She won the six-furlong Durazna Stakes, the seven-furlong Alcibiades.*



J. C. Meadors

MRS. E. B., b. f., 1955, Olympia—More Delight, by *Pharamond II. Mereworth Farm, breeder; Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Johnston, owners; E. B. Johnston, trainer. 106

Mrs. E. B. was bought at the 1956 Keeneland summer sales for \$5,000, and in her debut at Hollywood Park June 7 she was second to Nushie. Six days later she ran five furlongs in :58%, winning by seven lengths. In the Lassie Stakes on July 5, she fell back early and was beaten about 12 lengths by Sally Lee. Against colts in a 5½-furlong event she tired and finished unplaced to Strong Ruler.

In the six-furlong Junior Miss Stakes at Del Mar July 31 Mrs. E. B. was with the leaders from the start. After a half-mile, run in :45%, she was a head off the lead. She was a half-length in front enter-

ing the stretch but weakened to finish third, three-quarters of a length behind her winning stablemate, Be My Honey, and a neck back of the second place Cuter Yet.

Sally Lee took her measure again in the six-furlong Debutante Stakes at Del Mar. Mrs. E. B. made the pace—first quarter in :22%, the half in :45%—was headed by Sally Lee entering the stretch but held on gamely to finish second, three lengths back of the winner and two lengths in front of Be My Honey.

In her last race of the season, the six-furlong Citrus Belt Stakes at Pomona, she ran close to the pace all the way, but could not handle the colt Beau Madison, to which she was giving three pounds by the scale, and lost by a half-length.

Mrs. E. B. stood 15:3 and weighed about 975 pounds. Rheumatism through

the shoulders bothered her for much of the year. In 10 starts she won three races, was second three times, and third once, earning \$17,275. G. E. W.

MRS. HELLEN, br. f., 1954, Noble Creek-Queen Advice, by Good Advice. F. McIvor Prickett and Isaac Prickett, breeders; F. McIvor Prickett, owner; J. W. Rankin, trainer. 108

Mrs. Hellen, daughter of a mare which had won 18 times in 92 starts, was one of the fastest 3-year-old fillies of 1957, and incapable of stretching her speed beyond six furlongs.

Bred in South Carolina by Fuller McIvor Prickett, who operates a large dairy farm at Fort Motte, and his brother Isaac, Mrs. Hellen won two of her three starts at two. She opened her 1957 campaign at Lincoln Downs, where she won one of two races. At Suffolk Downs she ran twice in claiming races, finishing third for \$8,000 and winning for \$7,000. After an allowance victory at Suffolk on June 20, Prickett sent her to Monmouth Park, where she encountered several of the season's best fillies in the six-furlong Miss Woodford Stakes.

Mrs. Hellen (112) showed her usual early speed in the Miss Woodford, shaking off Leallah (118) after three furlongs, and she entered the stretch five lengths in front. She tired, but held on to beat Light n' Lovely (112) by 1½ lengths. Also in the field were Nile Lily (112), Mlle. Dianne (115), Romanita (118), Miss Blue Jay (118), and Marullah (118).

Only once more did Mrs. Hellen test stakes company. On September 4 she was unplaced in the seven-furlong Vangrancy Handicap after setting the pace for five furlongs. D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	3	2	0	0	1	\$ 3,600
1957	3	11	6	1	2	2	31,257
		—	—	—	—	—	—
		15	8	1	3	3	\$35,607

MUNCHAUSEN, ch. h., 1952, Mighty Story-Bavardia, by Blue Larkspur. Caddis F. Morriss breeder; Rothmore Farm (C. E. Roth), owner; C. E. Roth Jr., trainer. 112

Munchausen, a huge horse of nearly 17 hands, was bred by Caddis F. Morriss at Hamburg Place, Lexington, and raced for Morriss at two, three, and four. He took the Primer Stakes at two, was third in the Blue Grass and Warren Wright Memorial Stakes at three. Injuries in January of his 4-year-old season, shelved him for 13 months. In December, 1956, Morriss curtailed his racing interests and leased Munchausen and three other horses to E. C. Roth, Chicago businessman for whom he enjoyed his best year on the track.

Munchausen was the first \$100,000 winner for Mighty Story, a *Mahmoud horse which became a prolific sire of fair-class winners. Bavardia was sold to Preston Madden, Morriss' step-son.

Munchausen won three of four sprints at Sunshine Park early in 1957, and on May 11, carrying 109 pounds, he won the 1½-mile Louisville Handicap at Churchill Downs, beating Bernburgoo (114) by six lengths. In August he won a division of Washington Park's six-furlong Meadowland Handicap, in which he carried 114 pounds to a half-length victory over Royal Sting (117), with Hoop Band (116) third.

His best races were in the La Salle and Citation Handicaps, on May 18 and May 25. In the six-furlong La Salle Swoon's Son was high-weighted at 130 pounds and favored at 7 to 10, while Munchausen had 113 pounds and was 8 to 1. The fog was so heavy at Washington Park that day that the horses were obscured for the first half-mile, and when they broke into the clear the favorite had a length lead over Alma's Heart (107), and Munchausen was in third place, about two lengths off the pace. Swoon's Son won handily by 1¼ lengths, and Munchausen took second by two lengths over the 3-year-old filly Lori-El (104). Alma's Heart was fourth, and Sea O Erin (117) was fifth.

For the one-mile Citation, Swoon's Son had 131 pounds and again was favored at 7 to 10. He took the lead at the break, and at every call but one it was Swoon's Son, Sea O Erin (114), Besomer (111), and Munchausen (111), in that order. The margins were a nose and two necks, and the time on a slow track was 1:38.

For his size, Munchausen was quite fast on the draw. He was a sprinter and miler, and young trainer Ed Roth Jr. never tried the longer distances with him. He reverted to Morris when the one-year lease expired.

J. A.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	7	4	2	0	1	\$ 18,127
1955	3	21	4	4	4	9	32,075
1956	4	2	0	0	1	1	450
1957	5	24	9	3	0	12	55,097
		54	17	9	5	23	\$105,749

MUSIC MAN FOX, br. c., 1955, Roman-War Swept, by Man o' War. Mereworth Farm, breeder; Mr. and Mrs. George L. Lewis Stable, owner; William Molter, trainer. 117

Music Man Fox, a full brother to the good stakes winner Roman Bath (\$103,096), was the eleventh foal of the unraced mare War Swept. At \$16,000, he was second-lowest in price among the seven yearlings for which the Lewis stable paid a total of \$236,500 at the Keeneland summer sales in 1956. The Lewises had had an amazing run of luck with their Keeneland purchases of the previous year, but as of the end of 1957 Music Man Fox was the only one from the 1956 group which had "paid out."

After a maiden victory at Hollywood Park on May 24 and a second to Old Pueblo, Music Man Fox (116) went into the five-furlong Haggin Stakes on June 11. Under restraint while forcing the pace, he took command in the stretch and was being eased by Bill Shoemaker as he reached the finish 3½ lengths ahead of Father John (119), with El Bolero (112) in third place.

Time for the five furlongs was :57%. Jack Williams saddled the colt for this race.

In the Starlet Stakes July 18 Music Man Fox tired and finished fourth in a field of five runners. He then went to Washington Park, where his second start resulted in an easy victory at six furlongs on a good track. He then finished third, beaten four lengths, behind Alhambra and Terra Firma in the Prairie State Stakes, and was fifth, after showing good late foot, in the Washington Park Futurity won by Jewel's Reward, which ran the six furlongs on a good track in 1:11½.

At the Hawthorne meeting Music Man Fox won a six-furlong race in a hard drive, with Melody Mine and Elegante among the six behind him, but in the Hawthorne Juvenile Handicap, with 120 pounds, he finished third in a field of ten, beaten a length by Terra Firma (122), with Elegante (117) in second place.

Still considered to have a good chance in the Garden State Stakes, Music Man Fox was taken to Garden State Park, where he gave Nadir three pounds and got up just in time to dead-heat with the Claiborne Farm colt in a preliminary race at 1¼ miles on a muddy track. A week later he was well placed early in the big race, but was bumped and finished sixth, nearly five lengths behind the winning Nadir. He came out of the Garden State Stakes with an injured knee.

Music Man Fox stood 15:3, weighed about a thousand pounds. In 12 starts he won five, was second once and third twice, earning \$38,910. G. E. W.

MY NIGHT OUT, b. g., 1953, Phalanx-Nuit de Folies, by Tornado. Elmen-dorf Farm (Max H. Gluck), breeder; D. H. Wel's, owner; R. Grundy, trainer.

My Night Out, son of Phalanx and a top-class French mare, was among the year's late developments. A cheap

claimer for most of his 3-year-old season, he was taken for \$3,000 on November 10, 1956, at Churchill Downs by D. H. Wells, of Louisville. Wells lost him to W. Rodgers at Tropical Park less than a month later, but before the Tropical Park meeting ended early in January, 1957, Wells had taken him back for \$6,500.

After a series of allowance races, My Night Out ran in the 1½-mile Buckeye Handicap at Randall Park on September 7, when he was a fast-closing third to *Clermont and Nonnie Jo, beaten 1½ lengths. He then scored an upset win in the \$50,000-added Michigan Mile and One-Sixteenth on September 21, carrying 111 pounds and coming from 12th on the backstretch to beat Pete's Folly (111) by a length, with the 3-year-old Ekaba third. Behind the placed horses were Shan Pac (3, 109), *St. Amour II (111), *Festin (114), Nonnie Jo (122), Frosty Mr. (111), and Grand Canyon (122).

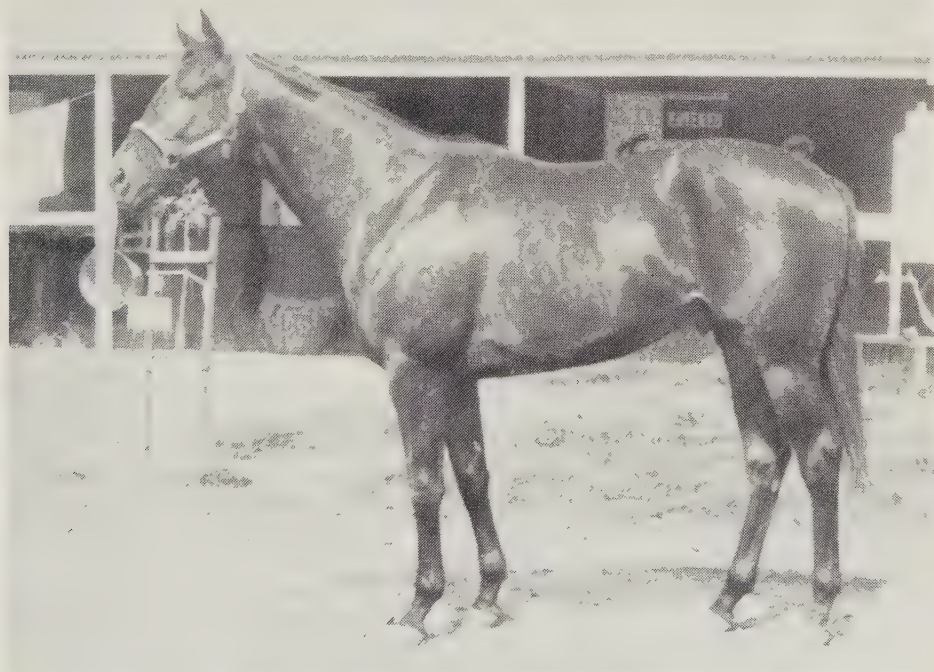
My Night Out concluded the Detroit season by finishing second to Shan Pac in the Boots and Saddles Handicap, beaten 2½ lengths, and second to Frosty Mr. in the Frontier Handicap, beaten a length. He was sixth to Ezgo in the Clark Handicap at the Churchill Downs fall meeting.

D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
1956	3	21	8	0	5	8	\$13,845
1957	4	30	6	10	4	10	74,382
		51	14	10	9	18	\$88,227

MYSTIC EYE, b. g., 1954, Be Sure Now-Trinket Box, by Sweep Like. R. S. Snedigar, breeder; O Enterprises (Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hornay), owners; Tom Schofield, trainer.

Mystic Eye, so named because he had only one, was bred in Arizona and



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Music Man Fox, by Roman-War Swept, won five of 12 starts at two, including the Haggin Stakes, and received 117 pounds in the Experimental Free Handicap.

raced there successfully before moving to the California circuit. He was claimed in June, 1956, by Ma Chao for \$10,000, later was sold to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hornay.

The track was heavy at Santa Anita Park March 11 for the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile San Bernardino Handicap, and Mystic Eye (111) was beaten three-quarters of a length by Lightning Jack (112), but behind him were such good ones as Joe Price (119) and Round Table (122).

In a nine-furlong handicap against older horses at Hollywood Park July 13 Mystic Eye (105) was fourth, a length behind the winner, *Festin (118), with Lover Boy (118) second and Spinney (117) third. At Del Mar he won at a mile and was second to No Bumps in the La Jolla Handicap while giving the winner eight pounds.

After he was nosed out at a mile by *Seaneen, Mystic Eye was second choice to him in the nine-furlong Del Mar Derby, for which both carried 120 pounds. Mystic Eye followed the pace in hand, was put to pressure entering the last quarter, and wore down Jedgar Ruler (115) in the last furlong to win by 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in 1:48% G. E. W.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	11	3	3	3	2	\$11,800
1957	3	18	2	4	4	8	40,125
		29	5	7	7	10	\$51,925

NADIR, b. c., 1955, *Nasrullah-Gallita, by *Challenger II. Claiborne Farm (A. B. Hancock Jr.), breeder and owner; Moody Jolley, trainer. 125

Nadir was a sort of infant Heracles, capable of exerting tremendous power, but tall (16:1), growthy, gawking, difficult to manage, apparently matured to about nursery-school level when other youngsters of 1957 were finishing their first-grade assignments. If, like the founders of the breed, he had been privileged to wait until he was a 4- or 5-year-old to begin racing, he might have rivaled the feats of Eclipse himself. But however much he departed from the

modern American ideal of instant race horses, he was—if one may borrow a gentle understatement from the late Arthur Boyd Hancock Sr.—a nice colt.

It was trainer Moody Jolley's feeling that, if Nadir won his first two or three races, he would never be beaten. As it turned out, the colt did win the first three, but he lost the next three, and he remained thoroughly green throughout the season. What he did while green promised a lush harvest when he was ripe.

When the younger A. B. Hancock started searching for a name for this prodigy he went, by alliteration, from *Nasrullah to Nadir. This was opposite to the compliment intended, but he allowed his mind to wander from *nadir* to *bottom* to *foundation*. He let it stand, for even when the colt was a yearling Hancock was looking forward to the day when Nadir would become, if not the foundation, a supporting structure worthy of the Claiborne stud.

The dam had nothing to do with the name, but she had a great deal to do with the foal she brought forth on April 14, 1955. Trainer Ed Christmas had told Hancock that Gallita, until she had an attack of lymphangitis as a 3-year-old, could do anything that her famous sister Gallorette (ARH 1945-46-47-48) could do. Hancock accepted the trainer's judgment, and after the death of William L. Brann in 1953 he tried to buy the mare, offering up to \$25,000.

Mrs. Brann wanted to sell all the stock at Glade Valley Farm, and was not interested in selling one at a time. In order to obtain the one he wanted, Hancock took all the horses for a lump sum and resold them, as the property of the Brann estate, at Keeneland in the fall of 1953. His agent got Gallita for \$15,500, and Hancock made an additional profit on the other 29 head sold. The mare went to *Nasrullah the following year, and the result made Bull Hancock look like a knight who would have known exactly where the Holy Grail was hidden.

Hancock had long acquaintance with Gallita's family, which for several equine generations had been producing big, plain, raw-boned, top-class horses at Claiborne and elsewhere. Gallita's granddam, *Flambette, had won the Latonia Oaks and Coaching Club American Oaks. *Flambette's high-class daughter Flambino had produced the Champion Stakes and Ascot Gold Cup winner Flares and the American "triple crown" winner Omaha. Another daughter, La France, unraced because of a crippling injury, had given the Kentucky Derby and Belmont Stakes winner Johnstown and the equally outstanding race mare Jacola, which became the dam of Phalanx.

The size, scope, strength, and ruggedness of this family came down to Nadir, slightly refined and more than slightly ruffled by the influence of *Nasrullah.

When the colt was shipped to Florida at the end of 1956 his right fore leg was blemished by lumps on the knee and ankle, the result of an injury. The swellings receded very slowly, and on February 20 Nadir was returned to the farm in Kentucky. It was late in May when he was shipped to Belmont Park to resume training—and civilizing. ("I must have paddocked him a hundred times," Moody Jolley said later.)

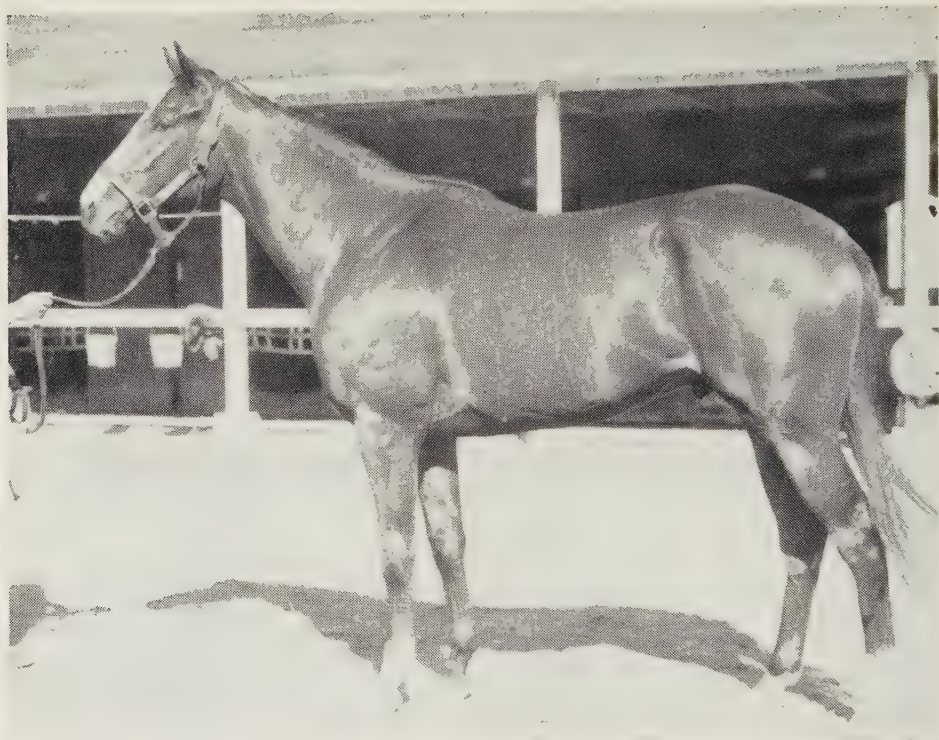
It was August 5, at Saratoga, when Nadir made his first start. Because of his size and power and disregard for the welfare of *Homo sapiens*, the trainer thought it prudent to run him in blinkers, "to keep his mind on his business." But Nadir thought it a part of his business to see what was going on around him. If the hood helped him win some races, it may have contributed toward defeat in others.

With Pete Anderson up, Nadir scored a six-length victory over a field of maidens in his first start, after taking the lead from Surinam in the upper stretch. It was not until his last start of the year, in the 1½-mile Garden State Stakes, that he again was in the lead before reaching the last furlong.

When Nadir came out for his second race at Saratoga, on August 13, Jolley took him into one of the stalls normally used only on rainy days, just to make certain that he would leave valuable horse-players undamaged. He stood on end as the valet laid the saddle on, and he reared again as soon as he stepped on the track, holding a periously balanced circus-horse pose until Anderson slipped out of the saddle. These antics were not altogether a reflection of youthful knavery; they may have been a result of the unbearable confusion caused by limitation of vision.

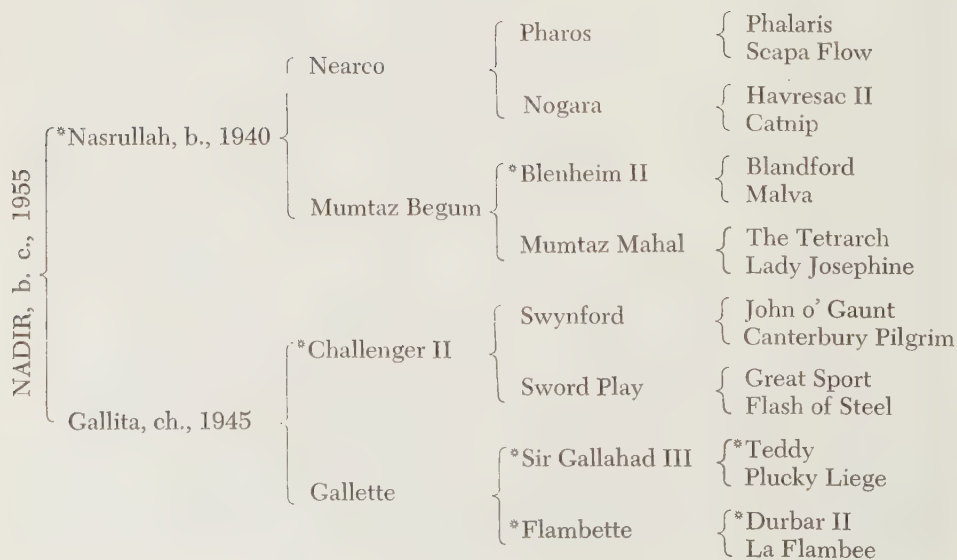
Nadir was as rank in the race as before it, but was boxed in against the rail until he drifted out against Etoka at the turn. He overtook Grand Mogul near the finish to win by a neck, with Etoka, Wilson, Misty Flight, and Miocene next across the line. Time for the 5½ furlongs was 1:06½; this was 1½ seconds faster than Nadir's time eight days earlier, when he had been under no pressure. Jolley consigned Nadir to the strong hands of Eddie Arcaro in his third start, a six-furlong test on the main course at Belmont Park September 6. His best rival here was Fleet Feet, owned by Ned W. Brent, whose Monterey Farm is almost within whinnying distance of Claiborne. Fleet Feet was the only other 2-year-old which had been able to run 5½ furlongs at Saratoga in 1:06½. He led all the way, except at the pay-off line. Nadir gained about seven lengths from the first call and got his head in the front at the last stride. Uncle Ralph was third, three lengths back, with Misty Flight and Yemen next in the field of eight runners. Time, 1:12.

Along with his stablemate Sir Ruler (114), Nadir (117) was favorite for his first added-money race, the 6½-furlong Cowdin Stakes on September 16. In the first quarter he fell about seven lengths behind the pace of Jimmer (117), which had "twenty-twoed it" out of the gate, and in the last quarter he gained about 4½ lengths. But after he



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had drawn almost even with Jewel's Reward (124) a sixteenth out, the Maine Chance colt accepted the challenge with a full measure of courage and stood him off to win by a head. At Nadir's heels was Jester (117), followed by Misty Flight (113), Wing Jet (117), Jimmer, Rose Trellis (124), and six others.

The Futurity of September 28 was Nadir's only race on the straight Widener Course. He swerved in the first furlong, striking against Crasher, and Bill Hartack found him unwilling to turn on full speed thereafter. He finished fifth, beaten about $3\frac{1}{2}$ lengths, behind Jester, Misty Flight, the favored Alhambra, and Crasher.

Nadir went off at 5 to 1, the longest odds laid against him in the mutuels, in the one-mile Champagne Stakes on October 12; he was still much too green to constitute a good betting risk. He moved up confidently near the three-eighths-pole, but when Bobby Ussery hit him on the right side, he jumped to the left. Ussery hit him left-handed, and he jumped to the right, ears still pricked. "Swerved repeatedly in the stretch," the papers said; "still responding normally to a normal stimulus," a psychologist might have said. He finished fifth to Jewel's Reward, Misty Flight, Rose Trellis, and Li'l Fella, with Alhambra next behind him.

Moody Jolley then moved to Garden State Park, where, like Barbizon in 1956, Nadir was to get his first important victory in the richest of all races.

The Garden State Trial on October 19 was run on a muddy track. Nadir (117) was given an easy-going ride by Steve Brooks, and he got up just in time for a first-place dead heat with Music Man Fox (120), a length and a half ahead for the front-running Yemen (112). He ran the $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles on the muddy track in 1:44 for a purse of \$4,000. A week later he ran the same distance on a fast track in 1:44 $\frac{1}{2}$ and collected net first money of \$155,047.50.

In the Garden State Stakes, on the

26th, Misty Flight was favorite and Nadir was second choice at 3.90 to 1; the odds probably would have been longer but for the fact that W. Hartack wore the Claiborne colors on this occasion.

Nadir made the hazardous journey around the first turn without incident and was in third place, three or four lengths behind Yemen, as the 13-horse field straightened away in the backstretch. Near the five-eighths-pole he began pulling hard, and Hartack was wise enough not to put in a dissenting vote. In a little more than a furlong Nadir replaced Yemen in the lead.

Hartack had a peaceful ride until they were half-way around the turn. It was fortunate that Nadir had drawn clear of the others, for at that point he suddenly propped, shied from his position next to the rail, and ducked out about twenty feet. Hartack, unwilling to risk the chance of a zag to match this sudden zig, kept his whip in his left hand.

"I started burning him as hard as I could," he said later; "kept him rolling, and he won, but he was running sideways all through the stretch. He's still green, and he's a handful to ride, I tell you."

Nadir had reached the top of the stretch with a three-length lead over Terra Firma. The latter cut the margin to a length in mid-stretch, but failed to sustain the challenge. At the finish Nadir was first by two lengths, and Terra Firma retained second place by only the length of his muzzle over the Hopeful winner Rose Trellis. The others, in order, were Chance it Tony, Misty Flight, Music Man Fox, Jewel's Reward (which elected this occasion for one of his worst races), Ambitwixt, Martins Rullah, Isendu, Yemen, My Warrior, and Fairfield, all under 122 pounds.

Immediately after his Garden State triumph Nadir was sent to Claiborne Farm and given a rest of several weeks, and in December he was shipped to Hia-

Nadir was "still green" when he won the Garden State Stakes, his last race of the year, beating Terra Firma, Rose Trellis, and ten others. Blinkers and shadow roll were regular equipment for the colt, which was a handful to manage.



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leah Park in Florida. Jewel's Reward appeared to have been the better 2-year-old, but Nadir's potential appeared so great that he went into 1958 with high expectations.

Hancock had made no effort to sell the strapping colt, but late in January he admitted that he had been negotiating with an unidentified person to whom he had offered Nadir for \$1,000,000, with the reservation that Claiborne Farm would retain a quarter-interest in the horse as a stallion. Even if the sale did not come off, the price reflected the breath-taking possibilities envisioned for the colt.

Nadir had won five of his eight starts (including a dead heat), finished second once and unplaced in the Futurity and Champagne Stakes, earning \$173,952 (and 50 cents).

J. A. E.

NAHODAH, b. g., 1953, *Nasrullah-Accra, by Annapolis. Mrs. Marion du Pont Scott, breeder; Montpelier (Mrs. Scott), owner; Frank A. Bonsal, trainer. 112

Nahodah, half-brother to Neji, Mandingo, and Songai, was a good winner at two and three, and he seemed to have his best races ahead when an injury sidelined him in August, 1957.

An easy winner over Sand Boy in a six-furlong overnight handicap at Pimlico on May 6, Nahodah next tried the six-furlong Wilmington Handicap at Delaware Park on May 29. Carrying top weight of 126 pounds, he was unable to catch Ito-be (116), but easily held second over Princess Turia (117) and others. Two weeks later Nahodah (122) finished third to Decathlon (130) and Ito-be (116), beaten three lengths, in the six-

furlong Oceanport Handicap. Behind him were three excellent sprinters, Star Rover (119), Duc de Fer (119), and Nan's Mink (112).

For the Salvator Mile at Monmouth Park on June 19, Nahodah was dropped to his lowest weight of the year, 118 pounds, and gave his best performance. Taking the lead at the start, he galloped to an eight-length victory over Skipper Bill (115), with *Tudor Era (111), Nan's Mink (114), Ambiguous (112), and *Rasper II (115) following. His time for the mile was 1:34%, cutting 2% seconds from the track record set by Helioscope in the 1955 renewal.

Nahodah was up to 126 pounds for the seven-furlong Roseben Handicap at Belmont Park ten days later. He was close throughout, but could not match the closing charges of War Piper (113) and *St. Amour II (115) and was beaten two necks. Itohe (122), Noorsaga (110), Gay Warrior (113), Jutland (113), and Portersville (116) trailed.

In the six-furlong Rumson Handicap on July 10 Nahodah (123) closed strongly to take second place, 2½ lengths behind the fleet Decathlon (133). Nahodah started only once more. In a sprint at Monmouth Park on August 2 he was forced into the inner rail leaving the backstretch; he recovered and came on to finish third, but had suffered an injury which caused him to be retired for the year.

D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	13	5	3	0	5	\$16,425
1956	3	15	7	2	0	6	28,995
1957	4	7	2	3	2	0	27,324
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		35	14	8	2	11	\$72,714

NALA, b. c., 1955, *Nasrullah—Accra, by Annapolis. Mrs. Marion du Pont Scott, breeder; Montpelier (Mrs. Scott), owner; F. A. Bonsal, trainer.

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The Annapolis mare Accra by 1957 had produced four stakes winners—Neji, Nahodah, Mandingo, and Songai—

none of which showed his best form at two. Her 1955 foal was Nala, whose first good race during the 1957 season was a second to Li'l Fella in a six-furlong event at Atlantic City on September 30.

At Pimlico on November 18 Nala upset the highly regarded Misty Flight, leading throughout in a 1¼-mile race to win by a head, and five days later he made his last start of the year in the 1¼-mile Pimlico Futurity. Jewel's Reward took the lead at the start, and for five furlongs Nala was last in the six-horse field. He moved to Jewel's Reward at the top of the stretch, but after getting to within a head of the leader at the eighth-pole, he weakened slightly and was beaten a length. Behind him were Staysail, Misty Flight, Beau Priam, and Amber Tide. The record: 12 starts, three wins, four seconds, a third, earnings of \$34,294.

D. M. B. III

NANCE'S LAD, b. h., 1952, Slide Rule—Nance's Ace, by Case Ace. Hilton A. Dabson, breeder; C. J. Caithness, owner; Hilton A. Dabson, trainer. ARH 1955-56.

Nance's Lad did not win in 1957, but only those with short memories would forget his speed. His last winning race was at Tropical Park on December 31, 1956; he had not started since the previous May, when an injury forced him to the sidelines after a victory in the Toboggan Handicap. For his comeback he whipped off six furlongs in 1:09%, beating Dark Ruler 1½ lengths.

Nance's Lad was tried four more times, in Florida and New York, but his best speed was usually absent, never sustained. In mid-June, during a morning workout at Belmont Park, he broke a bone in his left fore foot. He was retired to the stud at Claiborne Farm, Paris, Ky. In 32 races over four seasons he had won 13, placed eight times, and earned \$167,550.

P. O'B.

The 3-year-old colt Nashville in 1957 beat top-class older horses in both the Lakes and Flowers and Palos Verdes Handicaps.



Allen F. Brewer Jr.

NASHVILLE, b. c., 1954, *Nasrullah-Bonnie Beryl, by Fighting Fox. Belair Stud (William Woodward Jr.), breeder; Llangollen Farm (Mrs. M. E. Lunn), owner; Charles Whittingham, trainer. ARH 1956. 112

Before his death, William Woodward Jr. told Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Lunn that he had a yearling colt which, in his opinion, might turn out to be among the best the Belair Stud had bred. Mrs. Lunn remembered, and when the colt became available, at auction in January, 1956, she got him on a bid of \$65,000.

He won three races at two, once beat Bold Ruler going six furlongs down the Widener Course at Belmont Park. Knee trouble caused trainer Charles Whittingham to give him a rest, and after nine months of inaction, he was put into the six-furlong Lakes and Flowers

Handicap at Hollywood Park on July 22. Going against older horses while carrying top weight by the scale, Nashville (110) followed the pace of How Now (108), Flight History (114), and *El Khobar (116), and in the stretch ran down the leaders to win by $3\frac{3}{4}$ lengths in 1:09%. *El Khobar was second, Flight History third.

He then accompanied the stable to New York, where he won two overnight races. In the seven-furlong American Legion Handicap, for which he carried 117 pounds, he finished third to Ricci Tavi (122) and Nan's Mink (113), but was disqualified and placed fourth. He carried 122 pounds in the Fall Highweight Handicap and was no factor at any time, finishing unplaced, a dozen lengths behind Itobe (124). His performance was even worse in the $1\frac{1}{4}$ -mile Yankee Handicap at Suffolk Downs,

for which he carried 116 pounds and finished unplaced to Manteau (115).

In the six-furlong Palos Verdes Handicap at Santa Anita Park December 26, Nashville (119) propped 30 yards out of the gate and was last down the backstretch. He began to move on the stretch turn, but passing the quarter-pole he still was ninth, about 10 lengths behind *El Khobar (118). Bill Shoemaker got Nashville through on the inside and, running the last quarter in about 23 seconds, he caught the leaders and won by 1½ lengths. *El Khobar was second, Noredski (112) third. The time on a fast track was 1:09%.

G. E. W.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	7	3	1	0	3	\$26,100
1957	3	7	4	0	0	3	38,775
	14	7	1	0	6		\$64,875

NEEDLES, b. c., 1953, Ponder-Noodle Soup, by Jack High. William E. Leach, breeder; D and H Stable (Jack Dudley and Bonnie Heath), owner; Hugh Fontaine, trainer. ARH 1955-56.

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Needles, voted the best horse of his age at two and three, raced only three times during the eight months he was in training in 1957.

Trainer Hugh Fontaine, who had shown utmost patience in putting up with the colt's contrariness, his refusal to work except when it pleased him, finally took off the kid gloves and had him spanked.

"We finally had to whip him," Fontaine said. "Couldn't make him do anything, and one morning in Florida I said to the boy, 'go ahead.' Well, he hit him on one side, then the other, about five times. He just shook his head like he didn't know what was happening to him, and then he took off. It was the last time he acted like that.

"Sure, I could have done that last year. But he had all those big races, and the big money. You going to take any chances at a time like that? This year it

was different, and I had most of it behind me."

All of Needles races last year were at Gulfstream Park. His first was the 6½-furlong Iron Mask Handicap, an over-night event on March 11. He carried top weight of 126 pounds, and the bettors made him fourth choice to the good sprinters Admiral Vee (119), Tussle Patch (115), and Nan's Mink (110). Needles was last in the eight-horse field after three furlongs, fourth after 5½ furlongs, and was beaten a nose by Admiral Vee in 1:16, one-fifth of a second slower than the track record. Nan's Mink was third, four lengths back.

Needles carried the second-highest weight of 126 pounds in the 1¼-mile Gulfstream Park Handicap on March 23, getting four pounds from Bardstown and conceding three pounds to Fabius. There were four other starters—Platan, *North Cone, Call Me Lucky, and Piecesofeight—but all except Call Me Lucky were 30-1 or more.

Piecesofeight and Fabius had the early speed, with Bardstown in the middle of the pack and Needles last. The Ponder colt began to gain on the far turn, and he was only about 3½ lengths behind Fabius with a quarter to go. Dave Erb swung Needles very wide going into the stretch to avoid a possible jam, and the ground he lost deprived him of any chance to catch the leaders. Needles passed all but Bardstown and Fabius in the last furlong, and was beaten 1½ lengths. The time was 2:00%, three-fifths of a second slower than the track record.

Bardstown and Fabius had left Florida when Needles went out for the 1¼-mile Fort Lauderdale Handicap on April 6. Carrying top weight of 126 pounds, he was a 65-100 favorite over eight others, and he won handily, wearing down Tussle Patch (110), Grand Canyon (107), and Chit Chat (107) in the last furlong to score by two lengths. He ran the distance in 1:42, equaling a track record set in 1950.

After Gulfstream Park closed, Needles was shipped to Pimlico, and a few days after his arrival he began coughing, and his temperature went up to 105°. He was kept in the barn for two weeks and late in May Fontaine said he would get the colt ready for the Monmouth Handicap on July 27. In mid-August the colt still wasn't ready for a race, and on September 9 it was announced that Needles would be retired to the stud at Bonnie Heath's farm at Ocala, Fla. For the first time it was revealed that Needles was troubled by a filled tendon in a fore leg. Fontaine told the press:

"Before he ever came to the races, I found that Needles was the best mud horse I ever had, yet it was a muddy track that started the trouble—the American Derby (1956). The mud that day should have made him better, but when he came to running, he just couldn't handle it . . . After the race, Dave Erb told me Needles just slipped and slid in the going. And it was that day that he started that trouble with the tendon that crosses the main tendon under his left knee.

"We put him away and treated it, and he gradually got better . . . But when he breezed at Saratoga that check tendon began to bother him. I could probably patch him up the way I did with old Ladysman, but he'd almost certainly bow the main tendon the way Ladysman eventually did." D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	10	6	0	2	2	\$129,805
1956	3	8	4	2	0	2	440,850
1957	4	3	1	1	1	0	29,700
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		21	11	3	3	4	\$600,355

NILE LILY, dk. b. f., 1954, Roman-Azalea, by Sun Teddy. J. C. Metz, breeder; Cain Hoy Stable (Harry F. Guggenheim), owner; W. C. Stephens, trainer. —

Unraced at two because of a pulled muscle in her back, Nile Lily at the

beginning of the 1957 season looked as if she might develop into one of the year's better 3-year-old fillies. A feminine, smart, deep-bodied type, she won a maiden race at Hialeah in her first start and a good allowance test at Keeneland in her second, but she then lost eight straight before returning to form late in the fall.

Several of Nile Lily's early defeats were creditable efforts. She was third in the Ashland Stakes, Oaks Prep, and Miss Woodford Stakes, beaten two lengths in the first two, a length in the last. She was well back, however, in the Kentucky Oaks, Betsy Ross Stakes, and Test Stakes. She usually showed early speed, then tired in the last quarter.

In October trainer W. C. (Woody) Stephens put Nile Lily back into allowance competition, and she responded with three consecutive successes. Encouraged by these performances, Stephens sent her against some of the best sprinting mares in the East in the six-furlong American Beauty Handicap at Jamaica on November 20. Nile Lily (113) took the lead at the start, maintained a two-length margin to the eighth-pole, and drew away to beat the 5-year-old Poll-O-Mine (113) by six lengths. Pink Velvet (3, 120) was third, followed by Sorceress (115), Little Pache (111), Floral Girl (3, 106), Table for Two (3, 106), Nasrina (112), Elliotts Gem (111), and Judy Darling (108). It was Nile Lily's last race of the year.

The record: 14 starts, six wins, a second, four thirds, and earnings of \$38,390.

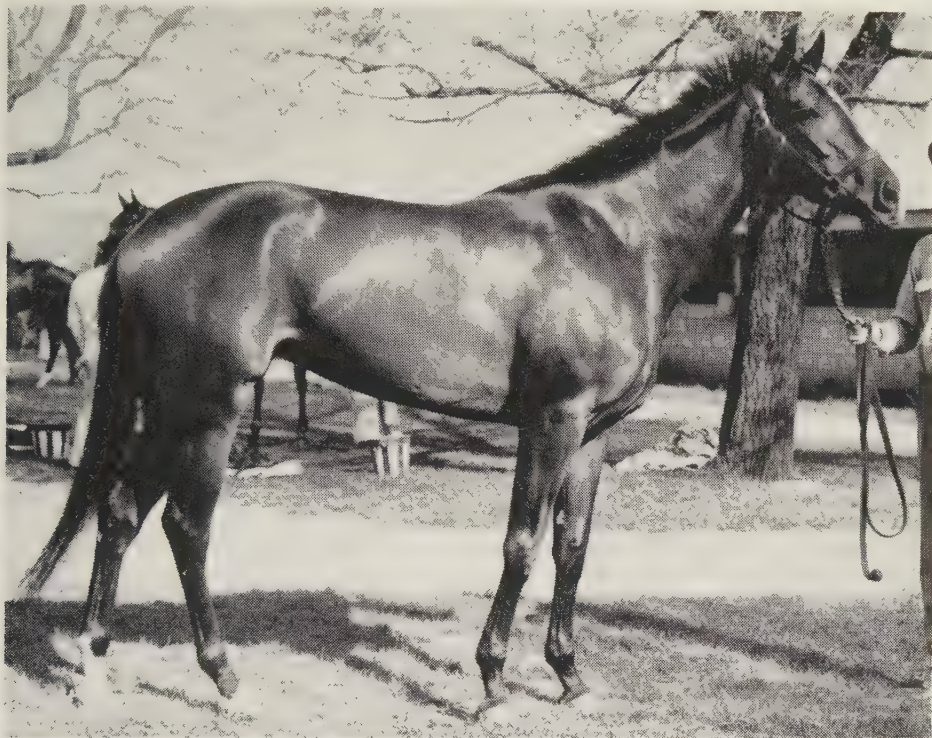
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NISHT AMOOL, b. c., 1955, Stymie-Precipitate, by Contradiction. A. J. Ostriker, breeder and owner; Eugene Jacobs, trainer. 117

Nisht Amool ran six times in the first half of 1957. He showed good speed and indicated he would go on to longer distances.

Making his debut in Florida on February 28, Nisht Amool was bumped and

Nile Lily won the American Beauty Handicap and placed in three other stakes in 1957. She was bought for \$26,000 at the 1955 Saratoga sales.



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crowded, but finished third, beaten $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in a three-furlong race. At Gulfstream Park on March 7 the son of Stymie popped out of the maiden class with an easy victory over three furlongs in :34%.

In his first start in New York, at Jamaica on April 25, Nisht Amool led all the way over five furlongs, showing Eddie Arcaro such speed that Arcaro chose him to ride in the Youthful Stakes. Here Nisht Amool met Bolero U. for the first time. He showed a sharp effort, but was beaten $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths by the better-seasoned colt.

Nisht Amool got his revenge in the five-furlong Cherry Hill Stakes, at Garden State Park on May 22, his best effort of the year. Carrying 116 pounds, he made a late run to win by a length from Bolero U. (122), with Li'l Fella

(113) another nose back. Nisht Amool had come off a very fast pace (the first quarter in :22% on a sloppy track) to run down the leaders in the last sixteenth.

This fine late run was evident again in Nisht Amool's last start of the season, Belmont Park's five-furlong Juvenile Stakes. Competing on the Widener Course, Nisht Amool (122) broke poorly but gained eight lengths on the leaders in the last quarter-mile. His charge carried him past some good horses, but ahead of him at the finish were Li'l Fella (117), Jewel's Reward (117), and Levelation (122). Since Nisht Amool was only $3\frac{1}{2}$ lengths off the winner and two lengths off Jewel's Reward while conceding five pounds, it was apparent that a better start might have earned him more.

Bucked shins had troubled him through most of his campaign, and after the Juvenile trainer Eugene Jacobs began to be disturbed by the colt's ankles. He took him out of training, fired the ankles, and rested him for a Florida campaign.

Nisht Amool, first foal of the good winner Precipitate, won three of six starts, placed in two races, and earned \$23,300. P. O'B.

NO BUMPS, b. c., 1954, Cover Up—Bonner Reigh, by Bull Reigh. Albert Yank, breeder; Mr. and Mrs. Harry James, owners; Vic Cowdell and W. Sargent, trainers. —

No Bumps, foaled April 14, 1954, was sold to Mr. and Mrs. Harry James at the 1955 Del Mar Sales for \$1,800. At two, he won six of 16 races, including a dead heat, and earned \$11,822.

For the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile San Jose Handicap at Bay Meadows March 2, 1957, he was favored over five others. The slender colt, carrying 120 pounds, went to the front at once, saved ground all the way, and, when shaken up on the far turn, drew clear to win by 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths. His time on a muddy track was 1:47. Translation (115) was second, Pie Master (116) third.

No Bumps had 108 pounds for the one-mile La Jolla Handicap on August 10. He was rushed to the front at the start and led for six furlongs. Mystic Eye (116) and *Seaneen (120) got to him at the head of the stretch, but he came on again near the end to win by a head over Mystic Eye.

The San Jose and La Jolla Handicaps were the colt's only stakes placings. His form was unpredictable. He ran at sprinting distances and carried modest weights (seldom more than 115 pounds), and avoided top-drawer competition. He won three of 14 starts, placed in one other race, and earned \$22,710.

G. E. W.

OIL RICH, br. f. 1955, Phalanx—Oil Princess, by Errard. Elmendorf Farm (Max Gluck), breeder and owner; Walter A. Kelley, trainer. 108

Oil Rich made eight starts in 1957, and in four of these she had the misfortune to run with Poly Hi. She was able to get two seconds and a third behind the Polynesian filly.

Tabbed as one of the fastest fillies in Florida, Oil Rich was saved until Jamaica, where she was favorite in her first start, but was unplaced. The second time out, she scooted off to an easy score, running five furlongs in 1:00%.

Now apparently ready for stakes, Oil Rich ran smack into Poly Hi. In Jamaica's Rosedale, Oil Rich broke last, made one strong run around the turn, but finished 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths back of Poly Hi. She had gained on the winner around the turn, but Poly Hi had pulled away in the stretch. Burst O'Song almost caught Oil Rich at the wire.

Ducking Poly Hi, Oil Rich crossed over to Garden State Park for the Rancocas Stakes, and this time her strong run paid off. Oil Rich (113) broke well, and stayed in second place to the stretch. In a hard drive she won by a neck over Melody Mine (116). Dandy Blitzen (116) was third. Time for the five had furlongs was :59%.

Given another shot at Poly Hi, Oil Rich gave her the toughest kind of tussle in the Fashion Stakes at Jamaica. At level weight of 119 pounds, Oil Rich got the lead from Poly Hi, held it for a half-mile, then lost by a half-length in a roughly run race. She might have been closer had her jockey felt there was sufficient room between Poly Hi and the rail. A claim of foul was made, but the result stood.

Trainer Walter Kelley gave it another try in the filly division of the National Stallion Stakes. Oil Rich had no trouble this time, but she finished third, five lengths back of the Poly Hi, after being as close as a length in the early stages. Pocahontas split the two fillies, but Poly

Hi's four-length margin could have been larger.

Arlington Park was muddy the day of the Pollyanna Stakes, and the Phalanx filly showed poor form in finishing unplaced, eight lengths behind Margaretta. Both carried 119 pounds. Her form was no better in the Arlington Lassie Stakes, and Oil Rich was taken out of training for the remainder of the season. In eight starts she had two wins, two seconds, a third, earned \$25,745.

P. O'B.

OLD PUEBLO, ch. c., 1955, *Windy City II-Shadows Fall, by Ariel. Peter McBean, breeder; J. Rukin Jelks and Atholl McBean, owners. R. L. Wheeler, trainer. 121

When Old Pueblo ended his brief but brilliant 1957 campaign, he was recognized as the best 2-year-old of the year in California. The medium-sized racy-looking chestnut colt was undefeated in six races and had earned \$123,020. One of his victories, and his largest purse, came on a disqualification in the Starlet Stakes at Hollywood Park.

There was speculation about his

chances to go on, but Eddie Arcaro, who rode Old Pueblo in most of his races, said after the Del Mar Futurity, "This is the best 2-year-old I've ridden this year."

Old Pueblo symbolizes a "type" that appeals to J. Rukin Jelks, an Arizona sportsman whose first acquaintance with racing was with Quarter Horses. Long before he became associated with Thoroughbreds, Jelks bred Quarter Horses and owned the Rillito Downs race track in Tucson.

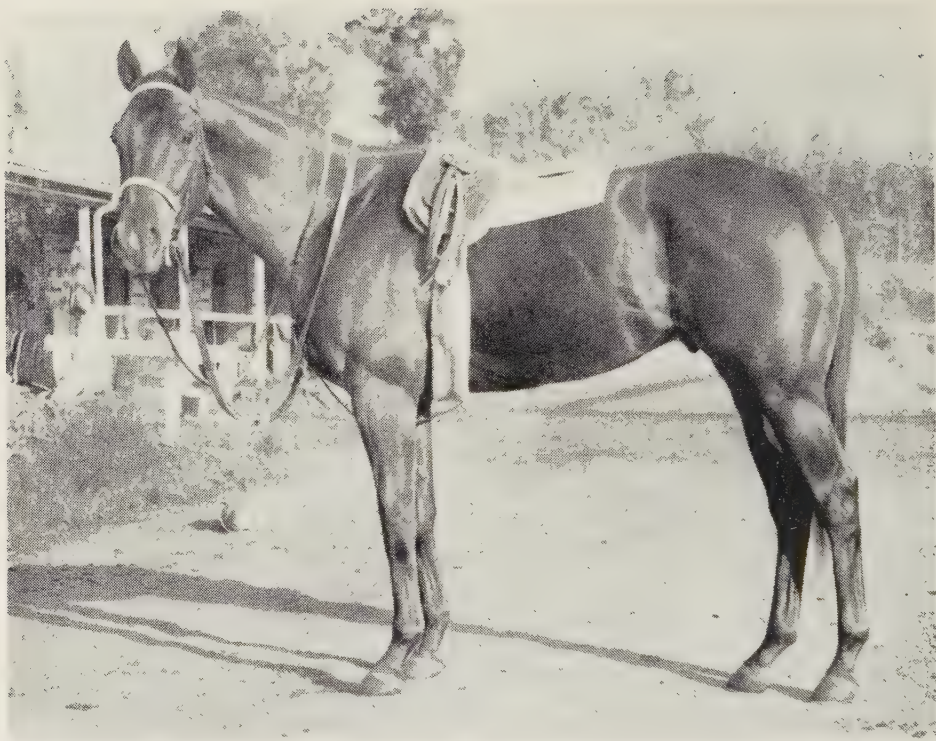
It was natural that when he tried Thoroughbreds, Jelk would want a specimen cut along Quarter Horse lines, square and speedy. His first purchase, Miss Todd, fit the bill, and he bought her at the 1954 Del Mar sales for \$8,700. She earned \$121,710. His next buy, also from the Del Mar sales ring, was Old Pueblo, which he bought for \$11,500 and named after an historic quarter in his home city of Tucson.

Old Pueblo was from the second crop by *Windy City II, and Jelks did not buy him casually. The story goes that he sat down on a box in front of the yearling's stall at Del Mar, and watched every move the colt made for a couple



Del Mar

Old Pueblo ran six furlongs in 1:09 to beat Disdainful 1½ lengths in the Del Mar Futurity. He was undefeated in six starts in 1957.



Allen F. Brewer Jr.

OLD PUEBLO

OLD PUEBLO, ch. c., 1955	{ °Windy City II, ch., 1949	{ Wyndham	{ °Blenheim II	{ Blandford Malva
		{ Staunton	{ Bossover	{ The Boss dr. of Rhodesian
	{ Shadows Fall, b., 1942	{ Ariel	{ °The Satrap	{ The Tetrarch Scotch Gift
			{ Crotanstown	{ Bridge of Earn Twincat
		{ Evening Shadow	{ Eternal	{ Sweep Hazel Burke
		{ Adana	{ °Adam	{ Mannie Himyar
		{ Etoile Filante	{ °Bull Dog	{ °Teddy Plucky Liege
			{ Etoile Filante	{ Fair Play Chit Chat

of days. While his friends were enjoying the races 100 yards or so away, Jelks maintained his vigil in front of the stall, and when the colt finally entered the sales ring, Jelks was pretty confident this was the yearling he wanted.

Old Pueblo's first start came on January 4 at Santa Anita, and he let the customers know right away that he was something special. He raced down the three-furlong straightaway to win by eight lengths in :33.

Satisfied with Old Pueblo's speed, his handlers did not start him again until May 10 at Hollywood Park, where the light-stepping colt won a five-furlong dash by 6½ lengths in :57. This was a tune-up for his first stakes engagement, the Cabrillo, which he won in a canter by six lengths in :57.

Old Pueblo rambled the first quarter in :22, and the half in :45 to discourage Count Diamond and Father John. By that time, the race was over, anyway, but Father John managed to hang on to beat the others for runner-up honors. Disdainful, which was destined to give Old Pueblo a hard battle later on in the Del Mar Futurity, made the first start of his career in the Cabrillo Stakes, and finished a creditable fourth.

That was all for Old Pueblo until the Starlet Stakes on July 18. Jelks does not like to race a young horse too often. Meanwhile, Jelks had sold a half-interest in Old Pueblo for a reported \$65,000 to Atholl McBean, father of Peter McBean, the colt's breeder. The McBeans were interested chiefly in acquiring Old Pueblo as a sire when his racing days were over.

Five horses started in the \$87,000 Starlet and it was Old Pueblo's least impressive race. He moved sluggishly down the backstretch, perhaps as a result of some bumping coming out of the gate, then raced wide around the turn. Arcaro, meanwhile, was doing his persuasive best to convince Old Pueblo to get moving, and succeeded with about five-sixteenths of a mile to go. Falling into stride at last, Old Pueblo closed boldly in the middle

of the track, but Strong Ruler won by a neck.

While Old Pueblo had been lagging down the backstretch, Fleet Nasrullah was on the front end doing his level best to make a runaway of the race. He could not shake Strong Ruler, however, and it was clear at the quarter-pole that Fleet Nasrullah had had it. At the top of the stretch, Strong Ruler was almost on even terms with Fleet Nasrullah, and in mid-stretch he was ahead. But just inside the eighth-pole the leader bore in, putting Fleet Nasrullah in close quarters. Fleet Nasrullah's fore feet hit the heels of Strong Ruler when jockey Johnny Longden took up and out in an attempt to find clear racing room. The maneuver cost him second place.

Had Strong Ruler pursued a straight course, he would have beaten both Old Pueblo and Fleet Nasrullah; but as it was the stewards had no choice but to disqualify Strong Ruler, giving the purse of \$49,900 to Old Pueblo and placing Fleet Nasrullah second ahead of Strong Ruler. The latter ran the six furlongs in 1:10½.

Old Pueblo did not start again for nearly two more months, winding up the year with a hard-earned triumph in the six-furlong Del Mar Futurity. This time the chestnut streak had all the early speed he had lacked in the Starlet. Off on top, he led all the way, although encountering stubborn resistance from Disdainful. Old Pueblo never was able to catch his breath. At the top of the short stretch Disdainful, running the biggest race of his career, was only a neck from the lead and and still charging. Arcaro hit Old Pueblo 14 times from the three-sixteenths-pole to the wire. Old Pueblo drew away slowly in the last sixteenth to win by 1½ lengths in 1:09, only a fifth of a second slower than the track record held by Colonel Mack and Prince Khaled. He had been under pressure every step of the way.

After the Del Mar Futurity, Old Pueblo was sent to the McBean ranch at

Newhall for a vacation until the opening of the winter season at Santa Anita. He ended his 2-year-old campaign perfectly sound, never having taken a lame or sore step. He hadn't even bucked his shins, an affliction that misses few 2-year-olds.

R. H.

ONE-EYED KING, b. c., 1954, *Nasrullah-Siama, by Tiger. Harry F. Guggenheim, breeder; Cain Hoy Stable (Guggenheim), owner; W. C. Stephens, trainer. 108

One-Eyed King—he was born blind in one eye—ran three good races in 1957. A light-bodied, nervous colt, he showed promise early, but tailed off as the season progressed.

In the 1 1/16-mile Hurricane Handicap at Tropical Park on January 12 One-Eyed King (117) made up ground in the stretch to finish third to Nitime (122) and Sags Gem (118). *Balaklava II (114), Jocko's Walk (113), and 3 others trailed him. At Keeneland on April 19 he finished a length behind Iron Liege, which equaled the track record of 1:22 2/5 for seven furlongs, and six days later he was second to Round Table in the 1 1/8-mile Blue Grass Stakes. He was beaten six lengths; but his estimated time still was faster than the previous track record, and he had no difficulty holding Manteau, Shan Pac, *Lucky Dip, and Breezy Night.

At two One-Eyed King won one race and was twice third in four starts, earning \$2,395. In 1957 he won two of 13 races, placed in four others, and earned \$19,680.

D. M. B. III

*OUR BETTERS, ch. m., 1952, *My Babu-Better So, by Mieuxce. Edward Bee, breeder (in Ireland); C. H. Jones and Sons, owners; William Molter, trainer. ARH 1956. 109

In the late fall of 1954 Hack Ross, then training the stable of C. H. Jones and Sons, made a flying trip abroad in

an attempt to purchase the French filly Banassa, which had distinguished herself in the Washington, D. C., International. He couldn't make the deal, but he made three others.

In England he bought two fillies, *Our Betters and *Peerless Light, and a mare, *Sabzy, dam of *Indian Hemp, in foal to *Tulyar. Later, at Northridge Farms, *Sabzy foaled the first offspring of *Tulyar born in this country. *Our Betters, which cost a reported \$65,000, won the 1956 and 1957 runnings of the Santa Margarita Handicap at Santa Anita Park. Bill Molter, who succeeded Ross as trainer of the Jones stable, saddled her for both triumphs.

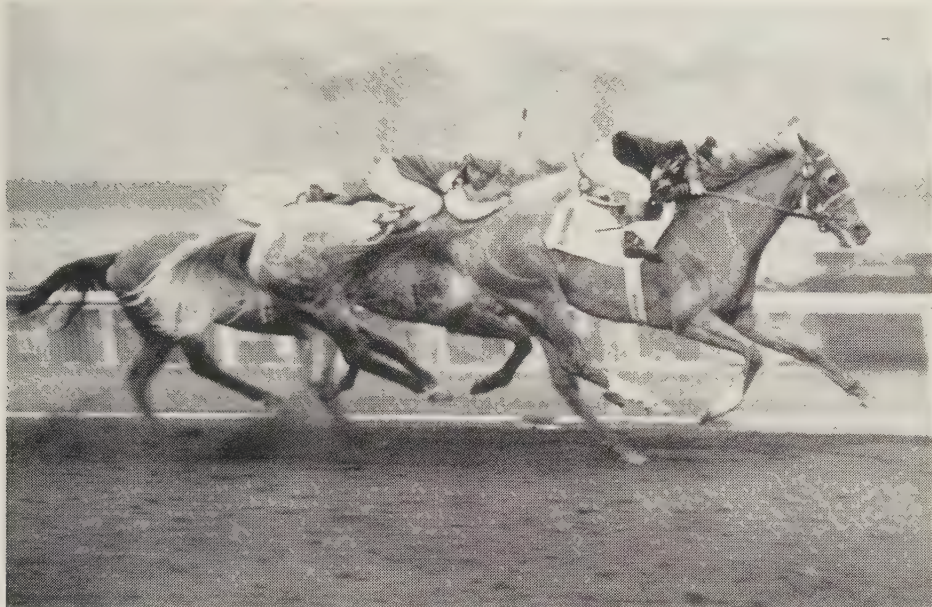
*Our Betters started only eight times in 1957, and the Santa Margarita was her only success. It seemed to be a season when there was little to choose between the top fillies and mares. The only consistency in this division in California was its inconsistency.

	Djebel	{ Tourbillon
*My Babu, b., 1945		{ Loika
Perfume II		{ Badruddin
		{ Lavendula II
*OUR BETTERS, ch. m., 1952		
Mieuxce		{ Massine
Better So, b., 1944		{ L'Olivete
Soga		{ Solario
		{ Mrs. Rustom

*Our Betters warmed up for the Santa Margarita in a style that brought little encouragement to her backers. In her opening race of the Santa Anita season she finished fifth, whipped at six furlongs by the fast trick Coverit. She began the new year, however, with a smashing second to Miss Todd (116) in the six-furlong Las Flores Handicap, beaten only half a length in 1:09 1/2. Considering that the distance was short for her and that she was closing resolutely under 119 pounds, it was far from a bad performance.

Horse players apparently felt the same way; they installed *Our Betters (120) a 3-4 favorite in her next race, at seven furlongs. But she caught a muddy track,

**Our Betters, a 5-year-old mare by *My Babu, won the 1½-mile Santa Margarita Handicap for the second straight year, beating Nooran by three-quarters of a length. Miss Todd (rail) finished third.*



Santa Anita Park

which she was unable to handle, and Miss Todd (118) coasted to the wire. *Our Betters staggered home a well beaten fourth.

In the seven-furlong Santa Monica Handicap, *Our Betters (121) was gaining slowly at the finish, where she trailed the veteran mare Mary Machree (122) and Triple Jay (120). She caught a muddy track again and was humiliated by *Kings Mistake and others in the 1½-mile Santa Maria Handicap. It was off spotty races like these that *Our Betters went into the Santa Margarita.

Because the form of her rivals was just as spotty, players installed *Our Betters (118) and her dangerous stablemate, Solid Rae, as favorites at slightly better than 3-1. *Our Betters worked her way from next-to-last in the field of 14 to win by three-quarters of a length.

Miss Todd (116), an outstanding sprinter attempting to handle two turns for the first time in her career, set all the early fractions—quarter in :22%,

half in :46%, six furlongs in 1:10%, and the mile in 1:36%. The stage was perfectly set for a stout finisher like *Our Betters. Miss Todd gave it all she had, and she still was battling courageously when the gray filly, Nooran (111), took the lead just inside the furlong-pole. The two were having it out when *Our Betters came strongly down the middle of the track to catch them inside the last sixteenth, winning by three-quarters of a length in 1:49. The year before she had won the stakes, with two additional pounds aboard, in 1:49%.

*Our Betters tried twice more at Santa Anita, but she had lost her touch.

Apparently far from her best form, *Our Betters was given a rest until the spring-summer campaign opened at Hollywood Park, where she made only one start. Molter tried her in a mile race, and here she encountered Pucker Up on an afternoon when Mrs. Ada L. Rice's filly was at her dazzling best. Pucker Up (122) had no difficulty coast-

ing to the wire an easy winner by six lengths, as *Our Betters (118) finished fourth.

*Our Betters was sent to the Jones ranch in Riverside for a rest, and shortly before the winter season got under way she was vanned to Santa Anita to resume training.

R. H.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	6	3	2	1	0	£ 3,823
1955	3	6	1	1	0	4	\$ 2,300
1956	4	20	5	4	1	10	68,525
1957	5	9	1	1	2	5	45,975
	35	7	6	3	19		\$116,800

OUTER SPACE, b. f., 1954, Saggy-Supersonic, by Devil Diver. Mrs. Gerard S. Smith, breeder and owner; James W. Maloney, trainer. 112

At the beginning of the 1957 season trainer Jim Maloney was in the comfortable position of having in his barn the outstanding 2-year-old filly of 1956, Alanesian. In the shadow of Alanesian's considerable reputation, however, was another filly of the same age, Outer Space, prophetically named, and with speed to brighten Maloney's world.

Mrs. Gerard Smith, of New Caanan, Conn., in 1946 had leased from Howell E. Jackson the Blue Larkspur mare Blue Ensign, and the first foal she got was Supersonic, third in the 1950 Test Stakes and Diana Handicap. Supersonic's first foal was Outer Space, which bucked her shins in her only start at two and won her first six races at three.

It was the end of May before Outer Space made her first start. Meeting a field of maidens at Jamaica, she sprinted to a clear lead, turned a half-mile in :46%, and coasted home five lengths ahead of Brouhaha in 1:11%.

In an event for non-winners of two races it was the same story, only the setting now was Belmont Park. Outer Space outsprinted her opposition and crossed the finish line with a margin of eight lengths, in 1:11, beating °Lis

Royale and Prophets Bell. Her speed was well known by now; against maidens she had been 3-1; against winners she was 7-20.

Outer Space was the chalk-players' delight throughout June. At six-day intervals she won 3 more races, all at odds-on, and by margins of six, three, and 2½ lengths. In the first of these races Outer Space again beat Prophets Bell at six furlongs. Moving up to 1½ miles, the Saggy filly won easily in 1:44%, trimming Wana and Untamed. She won at a mile by 2½ lengths at the expense of Magic Forest and Ambulance.

Outer Space moved up to stakes company on July 13, six weeks after her first victory. The race was the \$25,000, 1½-mile Mother Goose (named for the 1924 Futurity winner, not the nursery rhyme), and the allowances let her in with 112 pounds. The only runners with higher weights were Magic Forest (118), Lebkuchen (118), and Willamette (121).

The Belmont track was wet, and Outer Space, in post No. 2, was away from the gate fifth. Rushing up along the rail, she assumed the lead in the first furlong and never lost the advantage. Gold Finery was in closest attendance as Outer Space did her first two quarters in :23% and :22%. Gold Finery was still a length or so off the pace after six furlongs, in 1:10%, then began to tire. Outer Space kept right on rolling, and after a mile in 1:36, she had three lengths over Ambulance. Willie Lester did no urging in the final sixteenth, but Outer Space continued to widen the gap, crossing the line 5½ lengths ahead of Ambulance. The highweights were unplaced.

The time, 1:42%, was only four-fifths of a second shy of the track mark held by Parlo. This was Outer Space's best race. She lost her next six.

When asked why Outer Space had developed so well in a short time, trainer Maloney said, "I guess she ran herself into shape. I had no idea she was as good as she is, and we let her romp

in an open paddock all winter. Looks like she's a good trainer as well as a fast runner."

Another person with a respect for Outer Space's speed was Frank E. (Jimmy) Kilroe, the handicapper at the New York tracks. For the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Top Flight Handicap on July 31, Kilroe had Outer Space at 112, five pounds under the scale. Closest to the scale among the older fillies and mares was Little Pache (118), eight under. Tops by the scale was Fanciful Miss, the only other 3-year-old in the race, at 113 pounds.

Outer Space came closest to living up to Kilroe's poundages, finishing second by 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths to the older Plotter (116), winner in 1:42 $\frac{1}{2}$. The first 440 yards seemed to decide the outcome. Outer Space broke poorly for the first time, and Plotter was one place behind her, apparently lost on the rail. But Plotter quickly rushed up along the rail in a desperate move which paid off. By the time Outer Space had crossed over in in front of the field Plotter had an advantage of a half-length. It was the first time Outer Space had been outrun in the first quarter, and there was nothing she could do about it.

Plotter was timed in :22 $\frac{1}{2}$ for the quarter and :45 $\frac{1}{2}$ for the half, times which Outer Space had bettered easily earlier in the year. Each of Outer Space's moves was countered with an extra bit of speed from Plotter, and these two quickly drew away from the field. Plotter never let the challenger get closer than a half-length. Outer Space had conceded five pounds by the scale to the winner, so she lost little prestige.

In Saratoga's Test Stakes, C. V. Whitney's Snow White (115) was the choice mainly due to the weight allowances which called for Outer Space to carry 121, Bayou 124, and Miss Blue Jay 118. Outer Space passed Nile Lily coming off the turn, and went into the stretch with a clear lead, but she was unable to withstand the closing rush of Miss Blue Jay, winner by 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths.

Outer Space's ability to handle a distance was suspect, but she did much better in the 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -mile Alabama Stakes than many fillies with "staying" pedigrees. Running with the pace for most of the race, Outer Space (121) had the lead in the stretch, then was passed by Here and There (113) and Snow White (113). She was six lengths back at the finish.

In the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Gazelle Handicap, Outer Space (123) was well up for most of the journey, then lost eight lengths to Bayou (120) in the last furlong to finish unplaced. The same was true in the 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ -mile Beldame Handicap, in which she was unplaced to Pucker Up.

In her last start of the year Outer Space (115) was, of all things, unplaced at six furlongs. Venomous (119), Alanesian (118), and Sorceress (110) were the placing horses. Including her one start at two, Outer Space in her first two campaigns had won six of 13 races, placed three times, and earned \$48,710. P. O'B.

PAMPER ME, dk. gr. f., 1954, Alsab-Blandish, by °Blenheim II. Danada Farm (Mr. and Mrs. Daniel F. Rice), breeder; Mrs. Ada L. Rice, owner; J. P. Conway, trainer. 110

Pamper Me, foaled March 21, 1954, at Mr. and Mrs. Daniel F. Rice's Danada Farm, Lexington, won one of three starts at two, the victory coming four weeks before the six-furlong Jasmine Stakes at Hialeah Park on January 18, 1957.

In the Jasmine, Herb's Miss (118) and Mille. Dianne (116) set the pace for the first half-mile, with Light 'n Lovely (116) third. Pamper Me (112), hemmed in at the start, was sixth. The leaders gave way near the eighth-pole, and Pink Velvet (113) went to the front, with Light 'n Lovely a length back. Pamper Me came from fourth in the last furlong to win by a neck in 1:10 $\frac{1}{2}$. Light 'n Lovely was second and Pink Velvet third.

At Hollywood Park, Pamper Me (118) was third in the mile Honeymoon Stakes, beaten half a length by Fanciful Miss (109), with *Royal Rasher (112) third. In the Hollywood Oaks at nine furlongs, Pamper Me (115) came from six lengths back at the eighth-pole to finish a neck behind Market Basket (121).

The filly's two-year record: 11 starts, three victories, three placings, and earnings of \$36,430. G. E. W.

PAPER TIGER, dk. b. h., 1951, Stymie-Ally Bal, by *Challenger II. Bieber-Jacobs Stable, breeder; Mrs. Ethel D. Jacobs, owner; Hirsch Jacobs, trainer. ARH 1956. 114

Paper Tiger didn't run as strongly in 1957 as he had in previous years, but early in the season he ran several races which matched his best efforts at four and five. In his first start Paper Tiger (117) was a fast-closing third, beaten 2½ lengths, to Fabricator (118) and Kinda Smart (116) in the seven-furlong Southern Maryland Handicap, and on March 16, two weeks later, he was third again, beaten 2½ lengths by Third Brother (116) and Dedicate (124) in the 1¼-mile Bowie Handicap. Paper Tiger (117) finished in front of Mr. First (111), *Rasper II (114), *Akbar Khan (111), and Alibhai Lashes (112).

Paper Tiger (116) showed his usual late rush in the 1¼-mile Excelsior Handicap at Jamaica on April 27, but the best he could get was fourth, 2½ lengths behind Midafternoon (126). He was no factor in the Grey Lag Handicap two weeks later, then ran his best race of the year in the 1¼-mile Lincoln Special at Lincoln Downs on May 20. Paper Tiger (114) was 16 lengths off the pace after a half-mile, but he came on to beat Star Rover (112) by 1¼ lengths, going away. Rockcastle (111) was third, followed by Pylades (111), Switch On (120), Motor Line (120), Park Dandy (108), Son of Erin (108), and three others. It was the last placing

of the year for the Jacobs horse, which closed out his season five races later in a \$25,000 claiming race at Jamaica on October 18. D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1953	2	5	0	0	0	5	\$ 190
1954	3	24	6	5	4	9	48,090
1955	4	21	3	7	2	9	85,075
1956	5	22	4	4	5	9	82,700
1957	6	14	2	1	2	9	60,125
		86	15	17	13	41	\$276,180

PARDALA, b. f., 1953, Pardal-*Double Deal II, by Straight Deal. Paul Mellon, breeder; D and H Stable (Jack Dudley and Bonnie Heath), owner; Hugh L. Fontaine, trainer. 112

In view of the substantial success gained by Needles and his imminent retirement to stud, it was no secret that Bonnie Heath and Jack Dudley were on the lookout for well bred mares. The young sportsmen used sale ring and claiming slip to obtain stock. They got Pardala, a 4-year-old daughter of *Ardan's brother Pardal, out of a claiming race for \$15,000, and she went on to win two stakes and nearly \$50,000 in 1957.

Pardala had been claimed before. Her breeder lost her to Mrs. L. V. Bellew Jr. for \$8,000 in her fifth start as a 2-year-old, and Mrs. Bellew lost her for \$8,000 on January 25, 1957, to H. Rosset, from whom she was taken for the D and H Stable. In her first start for her new owners she was fourth to Little Pache at Gulfstream Park.

Entering stakes company for the first time in Jamaica's Bellerose Handicap,

Pardal (Eng.), b., 1947	{ Pharis	{ Pharos
	{ Adargatis	{ Carissima
		{ Asterus
PARDALA, b. f., 1953		{ Helene de Troie
	{ Straight Deal	{ Solario
	{ *Double Deal II, b., 1946	{ Good Deal
	{ Nonats	{ King Salmon
		{ Whitebait

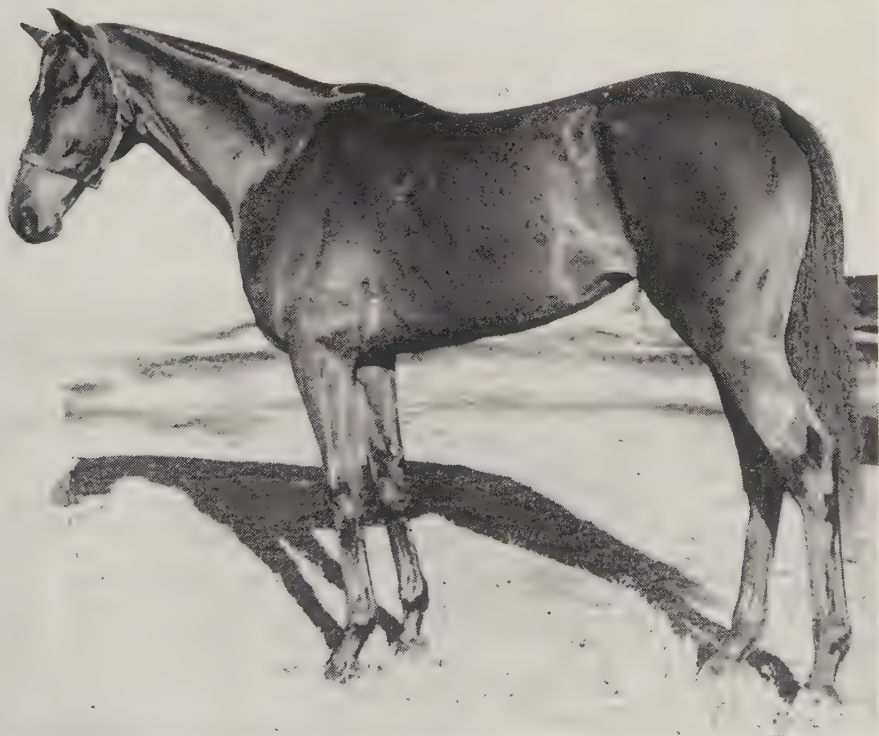
Pardala (104) again met up with Little Pache (122). Floral Park (107) beat them both, and Little Pache and Pardala ran second and third. For her next race, the Delaware Handicap, she accepted 108 pounds and finished sixth, three lengths off Princess Turia (119). She did have an excuse in that she was hemmed in on the rail.

Her value now was obvious, and trainer Hugh Fontaine set about making her pay dividends. At Belmont Park he found a 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile allowance race to suit, and Pardala (116) complied by making a late rush to win from Prophets Bell (106) by a head in 1:44 $\frac{3}{4}$. She ran back to this time in Monmouth Park's Matriarch Handicap two weeks later, under 110 pounds, beating Attica (110) by 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths.

The next step was Saratoga and the

richest offering for the filly-and-mare division at the upstate course, the \$25,000-added Diana Handicap. Pardala (111) ran a little closer to the pace, and she wore down Searching (125) and Rare Treat (118) to score her third straight win. She was almost 10-1 and, while she benefited from Searching's slipping saddle, it was a good victory. She ran the nine furlongs in 1:53.

Returning to Belmont, Pardala tried the 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ mile Beldame Handicap, but a poor start eliminated her from contention, and she finished last of 16. In the 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -mile Ladies Handicap jockey Walter Blum broke her well. She forced the pace for a mile, dropped back thereafter to finish ninth. She concluded her campaign in the 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -mile Vineland Handicap at Garden State Park, for which she carried 112 pounds and finished second,



J. C. Meadors

Pardala rose from the upper level of claiming races to the upper level of high-class competition in 1957. She was a prospective mate for Needles.

1½ lengths behind Dotted Line (115). Romanita (116) was third.

Pardala was 16 hands tall, and a bit on the thin side. The trainer felt that her best distance was 1½ miles. P. O'B.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	8	4	1	0	3	\$ 9,990
1956	3	7	0	1	1	5	1,750
1957	4	17	3	3	1	10	58,985
		32	7	5	2	18	\$70,725

PERTSHIRE, b. c., 1954, Stymie-Mons Meg, by °Pharamond II. Bieber-Jacobs Stable, breeder; Mrs. E. D. Jacobs, owner; Hirsch Jacobs, trainer.
110

Pertshire arrived at Jamaica in the spring fit from racing at Bowie. Two excellent races at Jamaica put the frosting on the cake, and Pertshire was ready for his second try at stakes company. In the six-furlong Jamaica Handicap he took the lead coming off the bend and drew away from Clem (123) and King Hairan (126) to win by almost two lengths in 1:11½. This was the best of four winning races for Pertshire, which competed in California, New England, and Maryland as well as New York. He was a sound horse, usually below stakes caliber. In two campaigns Pertshire won five of 28 races, placed 11 times, and earned \$42,345.
P. O'B.

PIE FACE, ch. f., 1955, Anyoldtime-Dream Bag, by °Hypnotist II. Covert Ranch (George Covert), owner and breeder; Charles Dickens, trainer. —

From his first crop of foals to reach the races Anyoldtime had two fillies which made him an immediate success as a sire. His first winner and first stakes winner was Pie Face, owned and bred by George Covert at his ranch at Tracy, Calif.

Though she measured only 14:3 at

the end of her 2-year-old year, Pie Face did her best racing early, before the other fillies outgrew her. In her first start at Santa Anita Park in February she coasted to a 4½-length victory down the three-furlong straightaway, and in her second start she won the Debutante Stakes at Bay Meadows, turning back Glorious Nymph by a length.

Pie Face made four more starts, all in stakes, finishing third behind her stablemate Sally Lee in the Lassie at Hollywood Park, then getting a second in the President's Stakes at the Sacramento State Fair.

Because of her disadvantages in size and strength, Pie Face was retired after her 2-year-old season. In every race except one (the Junior League Stakes at Hollywood Park) she was in front at the top of the home-stretch. Satisfied with her speed, Covert planned to breed her, but not until she was a 4-year-old. She had won two of her six races in 1957, placed in two others, and earned \$17,950.
R. H.

PILLOW TALK, b. f., 1954, Mr. Trouble-Hipparete, by °Pharamond II. Mrs. Alice Headley Bell, breeder; Hal Price Headley, owner; M. H. Dudley, trainer.
113

One of 1957's most promising 3-year-old fillies early in the season, particularly at distances up to 1¼ miles, was Pillow Talk. She gave a good account of herself in four of eight stakes from late April to mid-July, when she was retired.

Bred by Mrs. Alice Headley Bell, daughter of Lexington horseman Hal Price Headley, Pillow Talk finished third in a maiden race in her only start at two. She opened her 1957 campaign by winning a maiden test at Keeneland on April 12. It was her only overnight race of the year.

In the six-furlong Ashland Stakes at Keeneland on April 18, Pillow Talk was third for most of the race, but she tired and finished sixth, beaten seven

lengths. Nine days later she defeated nearly the same field in the six-furlong Oaks Prep at Churchill Downs, overhauling Nile Lily in the stretch to win by $1\frac{1}{4}$ lengths. Great Pride was second, followed by Nile Lily, Lori-El, Pamper Me, Dale's Delight, Woodlawn, Salamanca, and three others.

Pillow Talk was third, fairly close to the pace, for most of the $1\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Kentucky Oaks. She passed Nile Lily in the last quarter to get second money, four lengths behind Lori-El. Dale's Delight, Woodlawn, Great Pride, Lady LaRue, Pamper Me, Jota Jota, Coral Key, Jolie Fille, and Salamanca completed the field.

Pillow Talk was at her sharpest for the Black Eyed Susan Stakes, $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles at Pimlico on May 15. She led all the way, winning by $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths under a mild hand ride. Jota Jota was second, Woodlawn third.

In her next four races Pillow Talk showed good early speed, but only once did she last long enough to finish close to the winner. She alternated in setting and pressing the pace for six furlongs of the mile Acorn Stakes, then tired badly and finished 15th in the field of 17. She was much sharper in the $1\frac{1}{2}$ -mile Delaware Oaks, yielding to Bayou only in the last furlong. Pillow Talk was second and Marbella was third, followed by Hoosier Honey, Blue Goddess, Evening Time, Gold Finery, Lori-El, and Salamanca.

The $1\frac{1}{2}$ -mile Coaching Club American Oaks proved too far for Pillow Talk, which dropped to fifth after leading for a mile. In the seven-furlong Distaff Handicap on July 20 Pillow Talk (109), racing against older fillies and mares for the first time, was third for five furlongs, but weakened near the end and finished ninth to Searching (124). She was given a long rest in the fall, and was returned to training in December at Headley's Georgia plantation. The record: ten starts, three wins, two seconds, one third, earnings of \$42,470.

D. M. B. III

PINK VELVET, ch. f., 1954, Polyne-
sian-Bayrose, by *Sir Gallahad III.
Ira Drymon, breeder; Bill Beasley
Stable, owner; John Passero, trainer.

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For durability and consistency, no other filly matched Pink Velvet in 1957. She started 26 times, racing at least once every month, and was worse than fourth only three times. Seven of her nine successes were in Canada, but she also won two stakes and placed in six others in the U. S. With one exception, her races were at distances between six furlongs and $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles.

Bred by Ira Drymon at Lexington, Pink Velvet was one of four yearlings sold privately to William R. Beasley, of Toronto. She did most of her racing at two in Canada, where she won the Shady Well Stakes, and late that year she finished third in the Dade County Handicap at Tropical Park.

Pink Velvet's first stakes of 1957 was the six-furlong Jasmine at Hialeah Park on January 18. She began deliberately, moved up quickly entering the stretch, took the lead at the eighth-pole, and then tired slightly, finishing third to Pamper Me and Light 'n Lovely, beaten a half-length. She started five more times in Florida, in six-furlong overnight races, getting two seconds, a third, and two fourths. The winners were Magic Spell, Iberia, Woodlawn, Lucky George, and Stratmat.

After Gulfstream Park closed in April, Pink Velvet was shipped to Old Woodbine where on May 20 she finished sixth to Ballyrush in the $6\frac{1}{2}$ -furlong Friar Rock Stakes. A week later she won the $6\frac{1}{2}$ -furlong Star Shoot Stakes, easily beating Faultless Maid, Defilade, and Jet Marine.

An indication that Pink Velvet was among the best of her division came on June 22, when she beat Canada's top 3-year-old colt, Lyford Cay, by a head in the six-furlong Woodstock Stakes. The stewards placed her second, however, because of crowding on the far turn.

In July Pink Velvet won the Nassau

Stakes and Toronto Cup Handicap at Woodbine and the Bison City Handicap at Fort Erie. She took the seven-furlong Nassau by seven lengths over the 3-year-old Kitty Girl and the 4-year-old Flying Trapeze, equaling the track record of 1:23½. The 1½-mile Toronto Cup was tougher, but Pink Velvet (119) turned back the good colt Chopadette (123) by 1½ lengths, with Kitty Girl (114) third. Red Rythm (115) almost caught Pink Velvet (116) at the end of the 6½-furlong Bison City, but the Polynesian filly held on to win by a neck.

Pink Velvet scored a four-length victory in the 6½-furlong Fury Stakes at Fort Erie on August 5, beating Kitty Girl and Defilade, then left Canada to seek tougher opposition in the U. S. Her next nine races included six efforts against high-class fillies and mares and three against good handicap horses, and she ran poorly only twice.

Pink Velvet (117) set most of the pace in the 1½-mile Pageant Stakes, on the grass at Atlantic City August 17, but in the stretch she was no match for Market Basket (121), the winner by 3½ lengths. Light 'n Lovely (113), third, was followed by Teleran (113), Mlle. Dianne (117), Evening Time (121).

Against older fillies and mares in the seven-furlong Margate Handicap 11 days later, Pink Velvet (115) was second to Salix (113) for six furlongs, then made up five lengths in the stretch to win by a half-length going away. Mlle. Dianne (113) was third, 1¼ lengths back.

Bayou, the year's leading 3-year-old filly, defeated Pink Velvet in each of her next two races, the 1½-mile Gazelle Handicap and the one-mile Maskette Handicap. Pink Velvet (116) led for seven furlongs in the Gazelle, then weakened slightly to finish 1½ lengths behind Bayou (120) and Evening Time (118). The also-rans included Teleran (110), Romanita (121), Market Basket (120), Snow White (119), Willamette (115), and Outer Space (123).

The Maskette was the same pattern, Pink Velvet (113) yielding to Bayou (118) and the 5-year-old Rare Treat (116) and losing by a half-length. Behind her were the 3-year-olds Teleran (111) and Snow White (112) and the 4-year-olds Levee (113), Tournure (115), Nasrina (112), and Plotter (124).

Pink Velvet was returned to Woodbine for the 1½-mile Canadian Championship. The distance proved too much for her, and she finished ninth to Spinney, Grand Canyon, and Find after setting the pace for a mile. She followed the Championship, however, with her best race of the year, in the 1½-mile Jersey Belle Stakes at Garden State Park on November 5. Carrying 118 pounds, she forced the pace of Always Sunny for five furlongs, took the lead on the stretch turn, and held off the late rush of Light 'n Lovely (115) to win by a head. Romanita (121) was third, followed by Mlle. Dianne (115), Great Pride (118), Teleran (115), Evening Time (121).

Nile Lily outran Pink Velvet in the six-furlong American Beauty Handicap on November 20. After staying within two lengths of the pace for a quarter, Pink Velvet lost ground, finishing third, seven lengths behind the winner.

On December 7 Pink Velvet (116) was second all the way in the 1½-mile Ponce de Leon Handicap at Tropical Park, losing to Gray Phantom (122) by three-quarters of a length.

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Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	9	2	2	2	3	\$ 9,850
1957	3	26	9	6	6	5	84,252
		—	—	—	—	—	—
		35	11	8	8	8	\$94,102

PLION, br. c., 1955, Greek Ship—Tree Fly, by °Isolater. Edward Potter Jr., breeder and owner; Thomas Jolley, trainer.
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Plion came to the peak of his form in the Sapling Stakes at Monmouth Park on August 7.

Starting for the first time at Pimlico on May 15, Plion had a bit of trouble negotiating the turn; he drifted wide and finished second to Sew It Up. He had the same trouble the next time out, finishing third, but this time he made up seven lengths in the stretch run.

At Monmouth Park Plion got his first victory, beating Inablaze in a hard drive. The time was good, :59% for the five-furlong run. Later in June Plion stretched out to 5½ furlongs and won again, running the distance in 1:05%, just a second off Delaware Park's track record.

In the Tyro Stakes Plion was six lengths behind Bolero U., and in his next two races he shaded 1:05 for 5½ furlongs at Monmouth Park.

Allowing Hubcap to set the pace for the six-furlong Sapling Stakes, Plion was reserved off the pace, about three lengths back of Whitley, Li'l Fella, and Jewel's Reward. Going to the outside on

Greek Ship, br., 1947	*Heliopolis	{Hyperion
		{Drift
	Boat	{Man o' War
PLION, br. c., 1955		{Crotala
	*Isolater	{Blandford
		{Priscilla Carter
Tree Fly, br., 1943		{*Vulcain
	Greedy Girl	{Grasp

the stretch turn, Plion began to pick up his horses. He caught the leaders at the eighth-pole, and from there to the wire it was a battle between him and Li'l Fella. Plion won by a nose in 1:11%. A Dragon Killer was the best of the others, three lengths back in third place.

The Sapling forced Plion to carry top weight of 126 pounds in Saratoga's Grand Union Hotel Stakes, and he was favored. Attempting another strong run from the stretch turn, Plion was second, but five lengths shy of Jimmer (118), which had been allowed to set his own pace and had plenty in reserve. He raced once more in 1957, finishing fourth to Li'l Fella in the seven-furlong World's

Playground Stakes at Atlantic City. In ten starts Plion had five victories and three placings, earning \$58,987.

P. O'B.

PLOTTER, br. f., 1953, Double Jay-Conniver, by Discovery. Harry La Montagne, breeder and owner; William Post, trainer. 114

Plotter took plenty of time coming into her best form, like her dam, the excellent race mare Conniver. In the middle of her 3-year-old season she got her first victory. In 1957, however, after wintering at Aiken, S. C., she reeled off four consecutive victories in New York before coming a cropper in the seven-furlong Distaff Handicap. She won two more stakes before going off her form in the fall.

On her best days Plotter was a front-runner, and her most satisfying races were under nine furlongs.

The handsome brown daughter of Double Jay won her first race of 1957, a six-furlong event at Jamaica, by seven lengths. She came back a week later, on May 15, and carried 120 pounds to a four-length victory over Equableu. On May 23 Plotter (116) beat Rare Treat (120) by 1½ lengths at six furlongs.

Moving to Belmont Park, Plotter stretched her speed over a mile. Competing in the Oyster Bay Classified Handicap, she was top-weighted at 122 pounds, one more than Manotick and Rare Treat. Eddie Arcaro's strategy was simple: lead all the way. Plotter, running for the first time of the season without blinkers, responded perfectly, beating Sorceress (114) by three-quarters of a length in a stylish 1:37%. Manotick was third.

Plotter evidently was ready for stakes company, but trainer Billy Post waited a month and a half until Belmont's seven-furlong Distaff Handicap. The handicapper had placed her within five pounds of Searching's top weight of 124, but Plotter fell under the late drive of that

good mare after leading in the stretch. Searching burst through the field of thirteen in the last furlong to win in 1:24%, with Plotter a length and a quarter back.

Eleven days later Post once again took blinkers off Plotter and instructed his jockey to take the lead in the 1½-mile Top Flight Handicap. Pete Anderson was the rider, and there were a few bad moments at the start when Plotter stumbled and broke last. The inside post position, however, allowed her to overcome the misfortune and before a quarter-mile was over she was on the lead. She led all the way, coming within a second of Ricci Tavi's newly established track record. Her time under 116 pounds was 1:42%. This was Plotter's best winning race of the year, and her richest, \$19,950 net. Her fractions were :45% and 1:10%. In addition, she snapped the winning streak of six races belonging to the younger Outer Space. The 3-year-old was actually topweight in the Top Flight, carrying 112 pounds.

Racing at Saratoga was not profitable to Plotter, but it was consistent with her good form. She came within a head of conceding six pounds to Rare Treat at a mile, and was given 121 pounds for the 1½-mile Diana Handicap on August 21. She was less quick than usual, but after six furlongs was in second place, a head off the lead. She reluctantly gave ground in the stretch, was fourth, beaten nearly five lengths. The first three places went to Pardala (111), Searching (125), and Rare Treat (118).

The 1½-mile Beldame Handicap was Plotter's best race of the year, although she did not win it. On a day when sprinters were running six furlongs in 1:11, Plotter (119) completed the first three-quarters in 1:09%, the mile in 1:36. In the last furlong her 1½-length lead melted away, and Pucker Up (125) got a neck in front to win in 1:49%. Gay Life (104) was another neck back in third place, and Searching (125) and Princess Turia (125) were among the

unplaced. It was her last good performance of the year. P. O'B.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	2	0	0	0	2	—
1956	3	11	3	3	1	4	\$10,555
1957	4	13	6	2	1	4	68,050
		26	9	5	2	10	\$78,605

POCAHONTAS, br. f., 1955, Roman-How, by *Princequillo. H. B. Delman, breeder; Powhatan (Raymond Guest), owner; R. N. Blackburn, trainer. 111

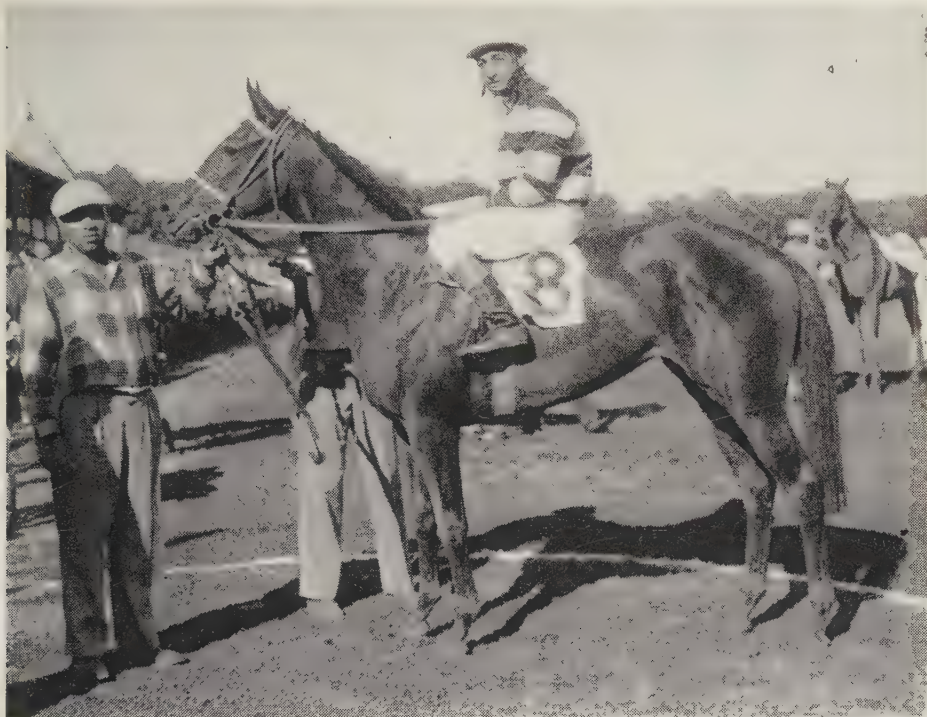
Best runner owned by the late Herman B. Delman during the 20 years he had a Thoroughbred stable was How, 1948, by *Princequillo. In four seasons she earned \$157,075, and her victories included the Kentucky Oaks, Coaching Club American Oaks, and Ladies Handicap. Her first foal was a filly by Roman, born February 19, 1955, at E. Barry Ryan's Normandy Farm, Lexington. Delman died in October, 1955, and his estate sold the filly to W. C. Stephens, agent for Raymond Guest, for \$36,000 at the 1956 Keeneland summer sales.

Guest, who races under the name of Powhatan, named the filly Pocahontas and turned her over to trainer R. N. Blackburn. She broke her maiden in her second race, at Jamaica in April, and faced her first major competition in the filly division of the National Stallion Stakes, five furlongs in the Widener Course on June 10. She was second all the way, unable to threaten Poly Hi, winner by four lengths. Oil Rich was third, another length back. The time of :56% was a new stakes record.

Pocahontas tried Poly Hi again in her next start, the 5½-furlong Colleen Stakes at Monmouth Park June 29. This time she started too slowly to be a factor, although she made up some ground in the stretch to finish fifth, seven lengths behind Poly Hi.

Blackburn on July 12 dropped Pocahontas into a race for non-winners of a race other than maiden or claiming. A

Pocahontas, daughter of Roman and the Oaks winner How, won the Schuylerville Stakes and was second to Poly Hi in the filly division of the National Stallion Stakes. The jockey is Eddie Arcaro.



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55-100 favorite, she won easily by $3\frac{1}{2}$ lengths over Spar Maid. Five days later Pocahontas (113) ran against Poly Hi (119) for the third time in the Astoria Stakes, $5\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs on the Widener Course. She stayed within a length of the favorite all the way, but was unable to gain. Sweet Mandy (113) was third, another three lengths away, followed by Sequoia (113), Wayward Bird (113), and Foreword (111).

Pocahontas (116) won her only stakes in her next start, the $5\frac{1}{2}$ -furlong Schuylerville at Saratoga August 7. She was farther off the pace than usual for a half-mile, then closed stoutly to beat the favored Bridgework (119) by a head in the last strides. Gleaming Star (112) was third, two lengths back, with Noordeen (116), Sweet Mandy (112), and Sequoia (116) among the also-rans.

The track was sloppy for the Spinaway Stakes at Saratoga August 26, and Pocahontas refused to extend herself. She was far back throughout and finished last in the nine-horse field. Sequoia, a sister to How, was the winner.

Pocahontas' last two races were at Belmont Park. On September 14, in a six-furlong event on the Widener Course, she was third to Idun and Armorial, beaten $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths. The track was sloppy, but she ran steadily all the way. A week later in the Matron Stakes, also on the Widener Course, she was fifth to Idun, Poly Hi, Armorial, and Big Effort, beaten $9\frac{1}{2}$ lengths. Pocahontas was a close fourth, $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths behind Poly Hi and Idun, after a half-mile, but she had none of the finishing power she had shown in the Schuylerville. She returned to the unsaddling enclosure

bleeding from a cut in her mouth, and jockey Eddie Arcaro thought this might have accounted for her lack of enthusiasm in the last quarter.

Frank E. Kilroe gave Pocahontas 111 pounds in the Experimental Free Handicap. The only fillies above her were Idun (120), Poly Hi (115), Sequoia (115), A Glitter (114), Moon Glory (114), Guide Line (113), and Armorial (112). In ten starts she won three races, was second three times and third once, and earned \$27,835.

D. M. B. III

POLAMBY, b. f., 1955, *Ambiorix-Polnettie, by Polynesian. N. W. Brent, breeder and owner; Mackenzie Miller, trainer.

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Trainer Mack Miller was quite prophetic when he wrote, in a truncated series of articles on training for *The Blood-Horse*, that "Polamby should do well in the fall, as she is developing

slowly." On September 30, Polamby won Belmont Park's Astarita Stakes, becoming the first foal of a Polynesian mare to win a stakes.

A series of ailments, including fever, coughing, and a sore ankle, kept Polamby on the sidelines until August, when she made up for lost time by winning her first two starts. Meeting a field of maidens on August 20 at Saratoga, Polamby was in a hard drive to get up by a head over Gleaming Star, with Armorial another neck away. She was timed in a moderate 1:06 $\frac{1}{2}$ for the 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs. Ten days later she turned in another late run to beat Cherry Jubilee and Single Stroke at six furlongs, winning by a half-length in 1:13.

Returned to Belmont for a six-furlong race on September 7, she encountered rough going. Polamby (109) broke well enough but, caught in a jam of converging horses, was pinched back. She did not seem to extend herself there-



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Polamby didn't race until late August, and on September 30 she won Belmont's seven-furlong Astarita Stakes. Running on the outside, she beat Merry Lark (dark blinkers) a head. Lopar (blaze) was third.

after, finishing third, beaten $4\frac{1}{2}$ lengths by Sequoia (120). Armorial (111) was second.

Her preparation for the seven-furlong Astarita Stakes was her poorest race of the season, and she finished unplaced, $9\frac{1}{2}$ lengths off Sweet Mandy.

For the seven-furlong Astarita ten days later, on September 30, Miller used blinkers, and Polamby seemed to perform more efficiently. Rated about eight lengths off the pace to the stretch turn, she moved powerfully through the straightaway to win by a head from Merry Lark. Another head back was Lopar. A half-mile had been run in :45 $\frac{1}{2}$, setting up the pace-makers as vulnerable to late attack.

In a one-mile preliminary to Garden State Park's $1\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Gardenia Stakes, Polamby met Idun at level weights and did well. Held five to six lengths off the early pace, she tried to get around the leaders on the turn, but she was carried very wide, and when she was straightened again there was no opportunity to overhaul Idun, which won by a nose from Quig Flame. Polamby was fifth, about $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths back.

The track was muddy for the Gardenia, and Polamby was not a factor at any time, finishing more than a dozen lengths behind Idun. She concluded her campaign on November 13 at Churchill Downs, winning a $6\frac{1}{2}$ -furlong race in the slop by a neck from Gerts Image. Again she had come from eight lengths off the pace on the stretch turn. Polamby in 1957 won four of her eight races, was once third, and earned \$25,910.

P. O'B.

POLY HI, ch. f., 1955, Polynesian-Highfortidies, by *Jacopo. Nydrie Stud (Daniel G. Van Clief), breeder; Mrs. S. George Zauderer, owner; G. M. Odom, trainer. 115

Mrs. S. George Zauderer, whose husband is in the hotel business in New York City, has been racing a small stable of horses since 1950. Until 1957 her

only stakes winner was Gay Grecque, a *Heliopolis filly which won the 1952 Test Stakes and the 1954 Champlain Handicap. Most of her horses were purchased at the Saratoga yearling sales; Gay Grecque was an exception, having been claimed in her 2-year-old season for \$5,000.

At the 1956 Saratoga sales Mrs. Zauderer bought two fillies, paying \$8,500 for a daughter of *Priam II-Spanish Cream and \$5,500 for a daughter of Polynesian-Highfortidies, both consigned by Daniel G. Van Clief's Nydrie Stud. Polynesian had sired more than his share of high-class horses, but the Highfortidies filly was not prepossessing either in the sales ring or in the catalogue. She was quite small, standing about 14:3, and there were no stakes winners in the first two generations.

Highfortidies had earned \$26,225 in four seasons, 1945-48, which was $2\frac{1}{2}$ times the average expectation of those years. Ensigns Up, the second dam, had produced other durable horses, From Afar (17 wins), Sails (23 wins), and Snoozie (11 wins), but nothing of outstanding class. The third dam was the top-class Viva America, whose best daughter was the Arlington Futurity winner Toro Nancy. Trainer George Odom advised Mrs. Zauderer to take a chance on the Polynesian filly. "She looks like she would be a quick one at two," he is reported to have said.

The Spanish Cream filly, named Esplanita, won a maiden race in eight starts at two in 1957, and finished the season in \$4,000 claiming races. The Highfortidies filly was Poly Hi, probably the second best of her age and sex at two.

Odom found his judgment of Poly Hi correct, and he sent her to the post for the first time at Hialeah Park on February 8. She led all the way to beat 12 other maiden fillies by three lengths in a three-furlong dash, with Stay Smoochie second.

After a five-length victory on February 14, when she ran three furlongs in

:32%, two-fifths of a second slower than the track record, Poly Hi (116) was a 9-10 favorite over colts in the Hialeah Juvenile Stakes, three furlongs, on February 20. She ran one of her two poor races of the year. Close to Board Man for a quarter, she tired in the last furlong and finished fifth, beaten 5½ lengths, behind Board Man (117), Miss Frac Job (114), Bolero U. (117), and Hubcap (117).

Rested for more than a month, Poly Hi made her next start in a three-furlong allowance test at Gulfstream Park on March 28. She raced with Casting throughout, and responded to Hedley Woodhouse's urging to inch away to a half-length margin at the finish. The time was :33, two-fifths of a second slower than the track record.

Five days later Casting turned the tables in the three-furlong Singing Tower Stakes. With both fillies carrying 116 pounds, she shot to a two-length lead in the first quarter. Poly Hi could not catch her, but had no trouble holding second over Valiant Ship and Tara Tella.

The Singing Tower ended Poly Hi's Florida campaign. She had proved a

high turn of speed, but at this point she was only the "quick one" the trainer had predicted. In May, June, and July, however, she ran up eight straight victories over the best fillies of her division. Only after Idun appeared did she have a challenger for the 2-year-old filly championship.

Another rest of about a month followed the Singing Tower, Poly Hi making her first start of the New York season on May 8 in the five-furlong Rose-dale Stakes at Jamaica. In this race she was ridden for the first time by Eric Guerin, who handled her in all of her remaining races. A 7-5 favorite, Poly Hi took the lead from Unleashed after two furlongs, and drew off in the stretch to beat Oil Rich by 4½ lengths. Burst o' Song was third. The time was :59%.

Oil Rich was back two weeks later in the five-furlong Fashion Stakes, also at Jamaica, and she gave Poly Hi, a 2-5 choice, a much tougher time. Oil Rich took the lead at the start, with the favorite about a length back for three furlongs. Poly Hi responded to Guerin's whip in the stretch, and she caught the pace-setter at the eighth-pole. The two

POLY HI

POLY HI, ch. f., 1955	{	Polynesian, br., 1942	{	Unbreakable	{	*Sickle	{	Phalaris
							Selene	
				Black Polly	{	*Blue Glass	{	*Prince Palatine
							Hour Glass II	
	{	Highfortidies, dk. b., 1943	{	*Jacopo	{	*Polymelian	{	Polymelus
							*Pasquita	
				Ensigns Up	{	Black Queen	{	Pompey
							Black Maria	
	{	{	{	{	Sansovino	{	Swynford	
							Gondollette	
					Black Ray	{	Black Jester	
							Lady Brilliant	
Gallant Sir					{	*Sir Gallahad III		
						Sun Spot		
Viva America	{	*McGee						
		Pink Rose						

fillies ran together to the sixteenth-pole, where Poly Hi ducked in, impeding Oil Rich slightly. Once straightened, the favorite outfinished her rival to win by a half-length. Angel Valenzuela, who rode Oil Rich, claimed foul, but the stewards dismissed the protest.

On June 10 at Belmont Park in the five-furlong National Stallion Stakes (filly division), Poly Hi and Oil Rich had their third meeting, and this time there was no doubt as to which was the better. Poly Hi led all the way, and was eased in the final furlong, beating Pocahontas by four lengths, Oil Rich by five. On the Widener Course, the time was :56½ with a crosswind, a new record for the race, only three-fifths of a second slower than the track record.

Despite Poly Hi's lengthening string of scalps, 15 fillies were named to run against her in the Colleen Stakes at Monmouth Park on June 29, her first attempt at 5½ furlongs. Guerin hustled Poly Hi (119) to an eighth-length lead at the eighth-pole, and she cantered home 5½ lengths in front of Meant Well (112) and Wayward Bird (116). Noordeen (114) was fourth, Pocahontas (112) fifth.

Back at Belmont Park for the 5½-furlong Astoria Stakes on July 17, Poly Hi (119) had to concede six pounds to Pocahontas. The latter stayed close all the way, but Poly Hi kept a length advantage throughout the final furlong. Sweet Mandy (113) was third, three lengths behind Pocahontas, with Sequoia (113) fourth. The winner was 1-4 in the mutuels, her shortest price of the year.

Poly Hi now had won eight races, including five stakes, but her earnings still were only \$85,000, since none of her victories had come in a race with more than \$20,000 added. Big money was being offered for 2-year-olds in Chicago, and the young lady went West for the six-furlong Arlington Lassie Stakes on July 27, worth \$65,000 to the winner.

Meeting most of the other nine start-

ers in the Lassie for the first time, Poly Hi was a 13-10 favorite. She shook off Margaretta after three furlongs, and was not threatened in the stretch by Delnita and Hasty Doll, winning by two lengths in 1:10½, a fifth of a second slower than the stakes record set by Delta in 1954.

Shipped to Saratoga after her Arlington Lassie triumph, Poly Hi did not start at the upstate track. In the second week of August she was returned to Chicago for the six-furlong Princess Pat Stakes at Washington Park on August 14. Officially, the track for the Princess Pat was good, but three races earlier it had been slow, and it still was sticky in spots. It was the first time Poly Hi had tried an off track, but the bettors still made her a 2-5 favorite.

Ethel Rita was first from the gate, with Poly Hi at her throat. After about 2½ furlongs Poly Hi got the lead, but Margaretta and Hasty Doll passed her on the stretch turn. In the last quarter Poly Hi lost ground steadily, and she finished fifth to Hasty Doll, which was 2½ lengths in front of Margaretta and about nine ahead of Poly Hi.

After the Princess Pat, Poly Hi showed signs of unsoundness for the first time in her career, favoring her right knee. Trainer Odom first thought she had strained a muscle. She didn't improve as quickly as Odom had hoped, however, and he soon concluded that arthritis was causing the trouble.

Even with arthritis, Poly Hi was entered in the six-furlong Matron Stakes on the Widener Course September 21. She was an 11-10 favorite over Idun, which was making her first stakes start, and 11 others. Poly Hi and Idun went together from the start, and no more than a half-length separated them for the first five furlongs. At the eighth-pole Guerin felt Poly Hi bobble slightly, and Idun began to draw away. At the finish her margin was three lengths, with Poly Hi two lengths in front of Armorial. Big Effort, Pocahontas, Meant Well, Pavonia, Point Pleasant, Fleet El-

lie, Lopar, Hun Bun, De Hostess, and Royal Illusion trailed.

Charles Hatton, columnist for the *Daily Racing Form*, said after the Matron, "As they went to the post, she struck us as the most palpably, poignantly sore favorite we had seen in a long time. It was this race that convinced us she had character . . . Here she was, unable to stride over a straw, cat-hopping all the way, and always the aggressor, running on her heart."

The Matron, needless to say, was Poly Hi's last race. She was given ten X-ray treatments in October and November, and late in November both her knees were blistered. On January 1 Odom said, "She should have the tack on and be walking around the shed-row in about a week. She seems to be going sound now, although she's no better than a 50-50 chance to come back as good as she was."

Poly Hi won nine of 13 starts, finished second twice, and earned \$160,845.

D.M.B. III

PORTERHOUSE, br. h., 1951, **Endeavour II*—Red Stamp, by Bimelech. Mrs. M. E. Person (Mrs. Richard Lunn) breeder; Llangollen Farm (Mrs. Lunn), owner; Charles Whittingham, trainer. ARH 1953-56. 121

After Porterhouse suffered a back injury in the Pimlico Futurity, his last start as a 2-year-old, trainer Charles Whittingham was most careful about how, when, and where he raced the veteran star of the Llangollen Farm string.

"Porky," as he was affectionately called by his owner, required some pampering. He disliked his races too close together; if he was bumped or crowded, his immediate reaction was to protect his once-lame back, and he would drop back until he was in the clear again; and especially he disliked a deep track. Thus for several years he did virtually all his racing in California, where

he rewarded Whittingham's patience and understanding with a string of stakes successes at Santa Anita and Hollywood Parks.

A fine-quality horse of perfect balance, Porterhouse wrote the overture to Llangollen's biggest season by winning a stakes on December 26, 1956, at Santa Anita, coming out of last place to capture the Palos Verdes Handicap by more than a length, after three other horses had held the lead at one time or another during the six-furlong dash. Anchor Watch (3, 104) set the pace down the backstretch, then gave way on the turn to the gray speedball Moolah Bux (110).

Johnie Mike (3, 119) sprinted into command at the three-sixteenth-pole, but Porterhouse under top weight of 125 pounds roared down the middle of the track to win in 1:10%.

Porterhouse made three more starts at Santa Anita early in 1957, but was unable to win. At the time, however, Llangollen did not miss him: Corn Husker had taken over temporarily as the big horse of the stable, and was galloping to one stakes victory after another. Porterhouse (126) finished a creditable third to Battle Dance (110) in the San Pasqual Handicap, and disappointed badly in the Christopher J. Fitzgerald and Santa Barbara Handicaps. He was rested for the spring-summer campaign at Hollywood Park.

Ten horses started in the six-furlong Premiere Handicap and Porterhouse (124), as usual, was last down the backstretch. Rounding the turn, he began moving up. He closed stoutly and finished third to Find (123) and his own stablemate Social Climber (118), beaten a length and a half in 1:09.

The Premiere put Porterhouse at his peak for the Los Angeles Handicap, a dash of seven furlongs, for which he was assigned 123 pounds. This time he was much closer to the early pace, and after taking command from Flight History (110) at the top of the stretch, he drew out quickly to win by five lengths in 1:20%. Corn Husker (119) was third.

Porterhouse's stakes wins in 1957 were at 5½ and seven furlongs, but he also finished second in the 1¼-mile Hollywood Gold Cup, third in the 13-furlong Sunset Handicap.



Allen F. Brewer Jr.

The victory sent Porterhouse's earnings to \$410,610.

Porterhouse's next start was in the Californian Stakes, a race that a year before had brought him an unexpected victory over Swaps and more fame than all his other victories combined. There was a feeling that "Porky" could do it again, and fans made him and Social Climber favorites for the first \$100,000 stakes of the meeting. It was the third race in two weeks for Porterhouse, and he was bumped at the first turn. He dropped out of it then and there, leaving the burden of responsibility to Social Climber. The latter carried on nobly to win, while Porterhouse, nearly 17 lengths back at the wire, finished eighth in the field of 12.

Whittingham knew immediately what had gone wrong. He explained that it

was probably a combination of three races too close together, plus the fact that Porterhouse instinctively had sought to protect his back when caught in close quarters. The analysis seemed accurate; Porterhouse came back in his next start to turn in his biggest race of the year.

It was the first running of the 5½-furlong Hollywood Express Handicap, and racing secretary John Maluvius gave Porterhouse top impost of 125 pounds. The filly Coverit, Royal Academy, Liberal Art, and the favored Flight History had high speed, going the first quarter in :21½ and the half-mile in :44½. at that point Flight History (112) was in command, but "Porky," storming down the middle of the track, charged past in the last eighth of a mile, winning by 2½ lengths.

Whittingham said it was, without ques-

tion. Porterhouse's finest race in years, and Johnny Longden, who has been on some fast horses, said he had never ridden one that closed any better.

The time of 1:02% was a new world record.

This dramatic race propelled Porterhouse right into another. The New Zealand importation *El Khobar had stepped off a ship from Australia and won his first U. S. start in handsome fashion. He was clocked in 1:09, which was fast, even at Hollywood Park. After Porterhouse's record performance, there was some talk of a match.

There was no match, but they did meet in a seven-furlong overnight known as the Speed to Spare Purse. Under the allowance conditions, Porterhouse carried top weight of 126, with 118 on the New Zealander. *El Khobar, a strikingly handsome horse, refused to be ponied to the post, and was led by two grooms, who did the job in relays. *El Khobar stumbled slightly at the start, then rushed up to take command from Liberal Art. Before the turn, Liberal Art was in charge again, and *El Khobar already was a beaten horse. Porterhouse, meanwhile, was in last place in the field of four. He moved up rounding the turn, and coasted to the wire, winning by six lengths in 1:21%.

Porterhouse's next start was in the 1%¹-mile Gold Cup, in which he ran an excellent second to Round Table. He carried 119 pounds, even by the scale with the 3-year-old's 109, and was beaten 3% lengths. The time, 1:58%, equaled Swaps' track record.

Porterhouse was a 2-1 favorite for the 1%¹-mile Sunset Handicap, in which he carried top weight of 122 pounds. As usual, he was well back in the early stages, making his move a quarter-mile from home. He moved up menacingly and was less than two lengths from the lead when he suddenly faltered, and finished third behind Find (119) and Eddie Schmidt (109).

Along with others of the Llangollen stable, Porterhouse invaded the East after

the close of Hollywood Park. He made two starts in New York, finishing far back against rather mediocre competition. Whittingham probably figured that Porterhouse would be more effective on the tracks in California, so he raced no more away from home. At year's end he was shipped to Santa Anita, where he was to point for several more sprint stakes before retirement to stud at Rancho Llangollen. R. H.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1953	2	8	5	0	0	3	\$134,045
1954	3	13	2	2	0	9	13,265
1955	4	14	3	2	4	5	58,375
1956	5	15	6	1	3	5	161,975
1957	6	12	3	1	3	5	113,050
62 19 6 10 27							\$480,710

PORTERSVILLE, b. h., 1952, Count Fleet—Artena, by Questionnaire. Harbervale Stables, breeder; Clearwater Stable (E. A. Roberts and F. L. Leatherbury), owner; A. J. Pupino, trainer.

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Porterville was bred by three Mobile, Ala., businessmen, but by the time the Count Fleet colt reached the races in 1954 D. Gregory Volkert, president of the Southern Industries Corporation, had left the partnership and Frank L. Leatherbury, president of the Ryan Stevedoring Company and E. A. Roberts, chairman of the board of Waterman Steamship Company, were racing under the name of Clearwater Stable. Volkert thus missed being in on it when the original partnership's home-bred won two of New York's biggest handicaps.

The season of 1957 unquestionably was the best of Portersville's career. He took the seven-furlong Carter Handicap and the 1 3/16-mile Brooklyn Handicap, both \$50,000-added events. He was among the lower-weighted competitors in each race, but his victories were achieved in game fashion.

Portersville made his first start of the year on May 4, when he met excellent

company at Belmont Park. Racing condition probably provided the head margin which Bunny's Babe (113) held over Portersville (117) at the end of six furlongs in 1:12%. The loser benefited from the race, coming back nine days later and running the same distance in 1:11% to beat a field of similar class under the same weight.

These races set the stage for Portersville's first big success in the Carter on Memorial Day. Portersville was weighted at 111 pounds, and of the 15 which entered only Wise Apple (100) was below him in the weights. Wise Apple and three others were scratched, so Portersville became the lightweight. He was 11-1 in the betting, and Boston Doge (122) was favored at 8-5.

Jockey Ted Atkinson was forced to go a bit wide, but Portersville was up to it. About five lengths behind with three furlongs to go, the big-chested horse made one big sweeping run to wear down Dedicate (126) and win by a head. Actually, Atkinson cut it fairly close with Portersville, and the horse was drawing away at the end. Jutland (112), which also had gone to the middle of the track, was only a neck back of Dedicate in third place. Jovial Jove (121) and Nance's Lad (120) were among the beaten ones.

Portersville picked up three pounds for the one-mile Metropolitan Handicap, while Dedicate remained at 126, but Traffic Judge (118) beat them both in 1:36. Portersville was with the leaders in the stretch, but then fell away to seventh, beaten four lengths.

The Clearwater horse ran three more times at Belmont in June and July, winning twice and being left in the gate in the Roseben Handicap. Just as the gate was released he reared and dumped jockey Bobby Ussery. The horse got one of his front feet entangled in the starting apparatus, and bodily injury to him was prevented only by a husky assistant starter who wrestled him free.

In his next two races he led all the way to beat Joe Jones at level weight of 120 pounds, going six furlongs in 1:10%, and won the 1 3/16-mile Brooklyn, missing the track record by a fifth of a second. The Brooklyn distance is rarely run at Belmont; as a matter of fact, there is no way to start the teletimer, since the horses start at a point in the middle of the Widener straightaway. There is then a straight run of nearly six furlongs before the field hits the lone turn in the race.

Portersville (116) allowed Admiral Vee to outbreak him, but Eldon Nelson rushed him up along the rail to race Hare Raising (108) into defeat in the first half-mile. Six furlongs in 1:10% took him into the turn with a lead of three lengths, but it took a hard drive to hold off Admiral Vee (120) and Tick Tock (118) in the stretch. Portersville made it by a half-length. Third Brother (126) and Riley (120) were among those beaten.

P. O'B.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	4	1	3	0	0	\$ 3,505
1955	3	13	2	3	4	4	28,015
1956	4	15	4	2	2	7	18,900
1957	5	11	4	0	2	5	88,150
43 11 8 8 16							\$138,570

PRINCE KHALED, b. c., 1954,
 *Khaled-Grey Miss, by Greylord.
 Gen. W. W. Kratz, breeder; Gen.
 and Mrs. Kratz, owners; J. T. Taylor,
 trainer. 113

In California, the year that does not produce a dozen or more new Turf heroes is counted as lost. The first hero of 1957 was Prince Khaled, a 16:3 swashbuckling giant owned by Gen. and Mrs. W. W. Kratz, of Santa Barbara. As long as he lasted, the bay son of *Khaled did everything in a spectacular manner—but he didn't do it long enough.

Prince Khaled started only twice during the winter season at Santa Anita Park, then was through racing for the

year, and probably for all time. In 1956 he had run faster around a turn than any 2-year-old ever bred in California—six furlongs in 1:08%.

He looked every bit a champion when, two days before turning three, he romped to an eight-length triumph in the California Breeders' Trial Stakes. He ran each of the first two quarters in :22% and finished out in 1:21%, the fastest seven furlongs registered in two years at Santa Anita.

For the California Breeders' Champion Stakes on February 2 Prince Khaled opened as a 1-2 favorite, the shortest morning-line odds that veterans could recall at Santa Anita. He gave his backers a few anxious moments as he tried to run out on the first turn and again on the backstretch. Eddie Arcaro, striving with all his might to rate him, was nearly pulled out of the saddle. At about the half-mile-pole, Prince Khaled decided to let Arcaro have his way, and settled into a smooth, effortless stride. He sailed by Speedy Kiss while still under a tight hold, and with Arcaro letting him run a little, the margin widened quickly to four, then five, six, and finally ten lengths going into the homestretch.

Arcaro looked around, saw no opposition, and let Prince Khaled gallop to the wire in 1:42% over a track that was fast, though dead from rains a couple of days earlier. It was the fastest time ever registered in the 1¼-mile fixture. Talk quickly turned to the Santa Anita and Kentucky Derbys.

Prince Khaled was scratched just a few hours before the Santa Anita Derby. Kratz explained that on the previous Thursday, when the colt was about to break off for a half-mile drill, his pony had stepped on his left fore ankle, inflicting a wound that caused some bleeding. Kratz and trainer Tommy Taylor, hoping that he would be ready in time for the Derby, had put his name through the entry box, but on Saturday at noon the ankle was still causing him

distress. Several weeks before, Gen. Kratz revealed, Prince Khaled had suffered a "worm" splint in his left fore leg.

The leg was "fired" from the knee down, and Prince Khaled was put away to await the summer season at Hollywood Park. Before the Inglewood season opened, he was working well again, but then Kratz and trainer Taylor decided to turn him out again for further repairs.

Prince Khaled in 1956 had won three of seven races and had earned \$31,200. In his only start in 1957 he earned \$37,540. R. H.

PRINCESS TURIA, ch. f., 1953, *Heliopolis-Blue Delight, by Blue Larkspur. Calumet Farm (Mrs. Gene Markey), breeder and owner; H. A. Jones, trainer. ARH 1956. 117

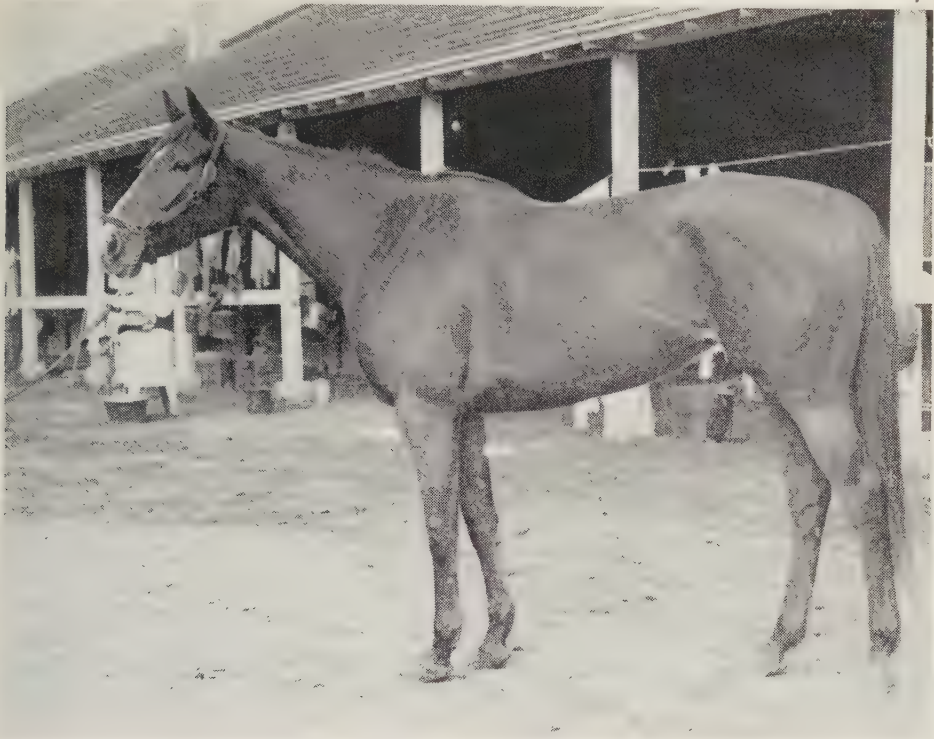
As a 3-year-old Princess Turia ranked near the top of her division, winning four stakes races and earning \$95,900. Her glory as a 4-year-old was packed within a space of eight days at Delaware Park. On June 22 she annexed the New Castle Stakes, and a week later scored a hard-earned victory in the Delaware Handicap, the richest race extant for fillies and mares.

Princess Turia made her season's bow at Hialeah Park late in February. The track was heavy, and she ran her six furlongs in 1:16, beating *Estacion and Miss Erlen. At Garden State Park on May 10 she closed some ground but finished a distant third to Venomous and Hello Mom at six furlongs. In the six-furlong Wilmington Handicap at Delaware Park on May 29 she carried 117 pounds and finished third, beaten by 5½ lengths by Itohe (116), with Nahodah (126) second.

On June 12 Princess Turia notched her second success of the season, winning an allowance test of six furlongs in 1:10%. Stablemate Amoret was second and Gay Warbler third. Each carried 119.

In the New Castle, at 1¼ miles on June 22, Amoret was the highweight with 126 pounds. She dropped out after

Calumet Farm's Princess Turia was one of the best older fillies and mares of 1957. Her victories included the Delaware Handicap, in which she beat Pucker Up.



J. C. Meadors

encountering trouble entering the stretch, Princess Turia (116) overtook Gay Warbler (112) after six furlongs, enjoyed a two-length lead at the eighth-pole but had to be hustled to beat Attica (112) by a nose in 1:45. Another length and a half behind was Nasrina (116). The also-rans included Rare Treat (120) and Little Pache (120).

The Delaware Handicap drew a field of 19, and for most of the runners it was the first time they had attempted $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles. Amoret had 125 pounds, again the highest weight. Princess Turia had 119, and the 3-year-old Bayou, winner of the Delaware Oaks, had 111. The favorite was Pucker Up (117).

Pucker Up and Happy Princess (111) broke on top, and after three furlongs they were six lengths in front. Happy Princess faltered half-way down the back side, and Pucker Up entered the final

bend with a six-length margin over Princess Turia. The Calumet filly gradually cut into that lead until at the eighth-pole she was only half a length away. At the finish she was half a length ahead of the stubborn Pucker Up, and Little Pache (119) was another length back in third. The time over a fast but exceedingly dull track was 2:05. In addition to first money of \$110,875, Calumet also received \$10,000 as the breeder and nominator of the winner.

Princess Turia failed to win in four other starts, finishing second to Pucker Up in the Arlington Matron and Beldame Handicap. She was ailing in Chicago after the Matron, and never thereafter was at her best.

That Princess Turia ever raced at all was something of a minor miracle. She was foaled with a fore foot so twisted that neither Jimmy nor Ben Jones thought

she would make it to the races. She stayed with the training stable, however, and developed into a striking 2-year-old. As long as the hoof was trimmed and replated frequently, it appeared to give her no trouble.

At 3 Princess Turia won the Kentucky Oaks, the Acorn and Black Eyed Susan Stakes, and the Cleopatra Handicap. She finished second in the Coaching Club American Oaks and the Oaks Prep, and third in the Jersey Belle Stakes and the Delaware Oaks.

Foaled on February 25, 1953, Princess Turia was one of 4 good stakes winners from the high-class race mare Blue Delight, which ran for the late John Marsch and was purchased by Calumet Farm in 1946. Blue Delight's other fine foals at Calumet were All Blue, winner of \$93,710; the huge filly Real Delight, winner of \$261,822, and the filly Bubbley, which earned \$91,480. Blue Delight's 2-year-old of 1957 was Kentucky Pride, which won his only two starts impressively in Chicago. J. A.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	2	1	0	0	1	\$ 2,400
1956	3	19	8	4	3	4	95,900
1957	4	10	4	0	2	4	152,500
31 13 4 5 9							\$250,800

PRO-BRANDY, b. c., 1954, Double Brandy-Proverb, by *Aethelstan II. Larry S. MacPhail, breeder; Carolyn K. Stable (Irving Kirshbaum), owner; L. L. Emery, trainer. 105

Pro-Brandy, winner of the Pimlico Nursery Stakes at two, ran his best race of the season in the second division of the 1½-mile Lamplighter Handicap at Monmouth Park. Carrying 116 pounds, he came from seventh at the half-mile pole to win by 1¼ lengths, going away. Golden Sun (114) was second, followed by Dark Trust (114), Assemblyman (118), Arion (110), Duck Heaven (113), Little Hermit (115), and Wassail (108). He was third to *Four Fathoms in the Chesapeake Trial Stakes, lost his

rider in the Governor's Gold Cup, and was unplaced in the Chesapeake and Choice Stakes.

Pro-Brandy was foaled May 3, 1954, at Crown Crest Farm, Lexington. In the fall of 1955 his breeder sold him at Garden State Park for \$5,000 to Irving Kirshbaum, and in November, 1956, he sold the dam for \$9,000 to R. B. Barton. Proverb was a good race mare; in 1945-46 she placed in the Delaware Oaks, Absecon Island, Molly Pitcher, and Potomac Handicaps and earned \$29,850. Pro-Brandy's two-season race record: 19 starts, eight victories, two seconds, a third, \$42,757 earned.

D. M. B. III

PROMISED LAND, gr. c., 1954, Palestinian-Mahmoudess, by *Mahmoud. Bieber-Jacobs Stables, breeder; Mrs. Ethel D. Jacobs, owner; Hirsch Jacobs, trainer. 119

There was quite a difference of opinion as to the Horse of the Year, but there was little doubt as to the Horse of November. Racing on all five Saturdays of the month, Promised Land won four stakes and finished third in his other start. He began the month with less than \$90,000 in earnings to show for a campaign which included victories in the Lawrence Realization and Governor's Gold Cup. He went into December with earnings of \$227,650 for the year and a vastly improved reputation.

Racing on the West Coast in the winter months of 1957, Promised Land showed little. Things perked up on his arrival at Bowie in March; he walked off the train into the winner's circle, scoring at six furlongs in his first start in the East. Thus he became favorite for the Governor's Gold Cup a week later. The colt, which six months earlier had run and won for \$10,000, had graduated to "stakes class." Carrying 112 pounds, he stayed within reach of the pace and then drew away from Mister Jive (124)

Promised Land came from off the pace to beat Assemblyman a half-length in Belmont Park's 1½-mile Lawrence Realization, the third-longest flat race of the New York season. Jocko's Walk was third.



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and Nah Hiss (112) to be timed in 1:24 for the seven furlongs.

Promised Land went to his home track, Jamaica, for his next outing, but in the 1¼₁₆ Gotham Stakes the weight and the win shifted in favor of Mister Jive, which had a four-pound concession and a two-length margin at the wire.

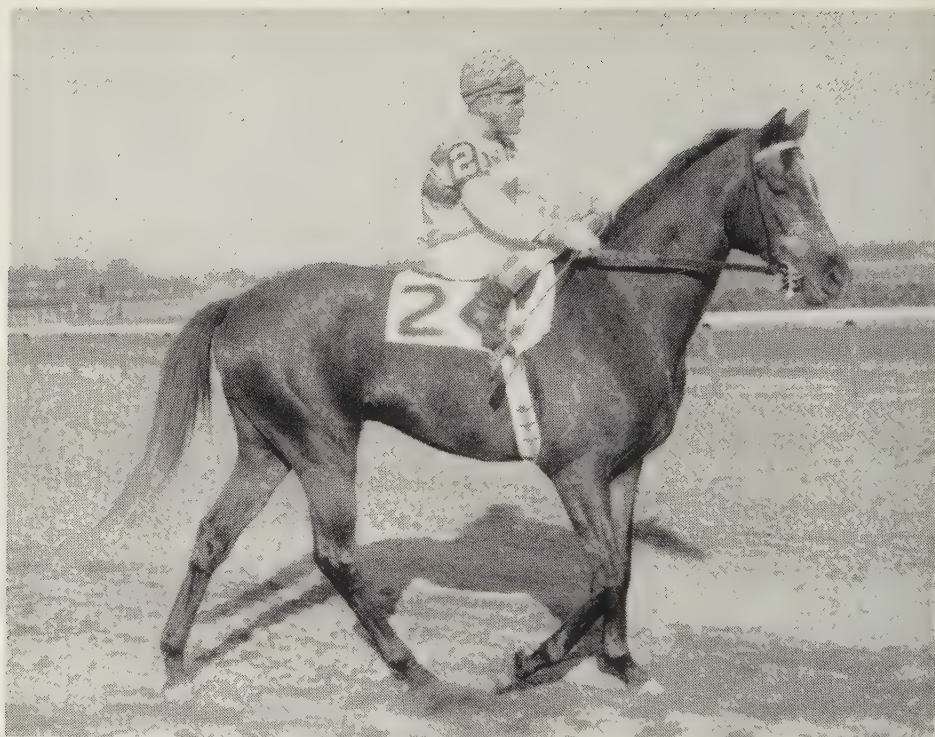
A most ambitious task was undertaken in the \$50,000 Wood Memorial, against *Gallant Man and Bold Ruler at level weight. The best Promised Land could do was to whip the remainder of the field. Bold Ruler and *Gallant Man, with only a nose between them, set a new track record of 1:48½ for 1½ miles, with the Jacobs colt six lengths astern.

Then in rapid succession Promised Land was second in an overnight race, fourth in the Preakness, sixth in the Jersey Stakes, and second to *Gallant

Man in the Peter Pan Handicap, 2½ lengths back while in receipt of ten pounds. The Peter Pan was on June 1. Promised Land was then freshened until Saratoga. At the upstate course he won his only race in August, six furlongs in 1:12½, and backed it up with a win on the opening day of the Belmont Park meeting, going a mile in 1:38.

Promised Land's real streak of success had not yet begun. The gray colt showed no speed in the Sysonby behind Tick Tock, and very little in his three other races in September. But starting with the Lawrence Realization on October 2, he was 1-2-3 in his last eight races of the season.

In the 1½-mile Lawrence Realization Promised Land (114) was allowed to stay well off the pace of Assemblyman (117) during the early running, then



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PROMISED LAND

PROMISED LAND, gr. c., 1954	Palestinian, ch., 1946	Sun Again	Sun Teddy	°Teddy Sunmelia
			Hug Again	°Stimulus °Affection
		Dolly Whisk	Whiskaway	Whisk Broom II Inaugural
			Dolly Seth	Seth Royal Dolly
	Mahmoudess, gr., 1942	°Mahmoud	°Blenheim II	Blandford Malva
			Mah Mahal	Gainsborough Mumtaz Mahal
		Forever Yours	Toro	The Porter °Brocatelle
			°Winsome Way	Tetratema Last Ray

smothered his field in the stretch and caught Assemblyman in the last few strides to be drawing away in 2:43%. His second stakes victory was followed by a moderate third to Harmonizing at 1½ miles while conceding five pounds to the Phipps colt.

For the 1¼-mile Queens County Handicap at Jamaica on October 19 Bold Ruler (133) was a very short favorite with Promised Land (111) at 20-1. Of the five which chased Bold Ruler that afternoon it was Promised Land closest at the finish, some 2½ lengths back of the easy winner and 3½ lengths ahead of Greek Spy (114). Bold Ruler's time was 1:42%.

Now Promised Land was under the friendly sign of Sagittarius, and things began to pop. The Palestinian colt was assigned 114 pounds for the 1½-mile Gallant Fox Handicap, which had \$75,000 added. Allowing for the four-pound difference in the scale of weights, the 3-year-old was carrying the equivalent of 118 pounds; the older horses with higher assignments were Mister Gus (122), Find (123), and Third Brother (126).

Promised Land beat all the high-weights and seemed to have the race in his pocket at the sixteenth-pole, where a strong rush had carried him to the lead after doggedly pursuing Third Brother for the last half-turn of the course. His drive abated, however, in time for Eddie Schmidt (113) and Beam Rider (109) to charge past him in the last few strides. Promised Land was third, beaten half a length and a nose, a cash difference of some \$52,000.

Weights for the 1¼-mile Knickerbocker Handicap were announced the Monday following the Gallant Fox, and in this race for 3-year-olds Bold Ruler was assigned 139 pounds, an academic honor, since it had been announced he would shoot for the Trenton Handicap, to be run the same day, November 9. Promised Land (114) had only four opponents, including two of the seven

horses weighted above him. He won drawing away from Assemblyman (117). Promised Land made his one run from third position, and got home in an excellent 1:43% over the sloppy racing strip. For this victory he picked up only one pound for the following Saturday's \$50,000-added Roamer Handicap at 1 3/16 miles.

Topweight for the Roamer was the speedy Vertex at 123, but Promised Land, in a surprise move, took the lead from Vertex after six furlongs and coasted to an easy victory in 1:55% over a muddy strip. Vertex was second, three lengths back, with five moderate 3-year-olds completing the field.

Trainer Hirsch Jacobs then set his colt against older horses on the following Saturday, November 23, in the 1½-mile Idlewild Handicap, \$50,000 added. Third Brother (126) was again topweight and Promised Land was next with 121, or 124, with the scale taken into consideration. Oh Johnny (123), Eddie Schmidt (120), and Tick Tock (118), all older horses, were next in the weights. These five made the closest finish of the year in a rich handicap.

The first four margins were a neck and three heads. Promised Land did not get that neck in front until the final strides, when he squeezed between horses in a game exhibition. Oh Johnny got the place in the thrilling race, finishing on the outside, while Third Brother, along the rail, was third. Tick Tock and Eddie Schmidt, the pair that Promised Land split through, were next across the line.

This exhibition of courage pushed Promised Land to the topweight position for the 2¼-mile Display, the \$50,000-added handicap, last big race of the New York season, and the weight was given an extra boost by the New York State Racing Commission rule book. Scale for the marathon event is 124 pounds for older horses, but the rules specify that the highest weight in a handicap must be at least 126 pounds.

It was unfair to place Promised Land below horses he had been beating, and the only thing to do was follow the rule. Promised Land was given 126 pounds, six over scale for his age.

The unfortunate rule and its result made Hirsch Jacobs head for Maryland, where Promised Land could carry scale weight in the Pimlico Special. The colt took to Pimlico as if it were Jamaica, and completed his season with a corking win in the weight-for-age Special. Bill Hartack kept him close to the pace of Swoon's Son and drove him through on the rail to take the lead at the top of the stretch. He was a length ahead of Tick Tock at the finish, with Third Brother next and Swoon's Son last of the four runners. Time for the 1 3/16 miles on a sloppy track was 1:57%.

Promised Land had lived up to his breeding. He was much sounder than his sire, Palestinian, which was plagued with tendon trouble but still managed to grind out 45 races and earnings of almost \$300,000. The soundness came largely from the dam, which had raced 117 times in five seasons. Mahmoudess was remembered as well for her whacky behavior on the track as for her earnings of \$95,312. To the cover of Stymie she also threw Born Rich, winner of the 1¼-mile Camino Real Handicap at Santa Anita Park in 1957.

P. O'B.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	10	2	2	2	4	\$ 8,010
1957	3	26	9	5	4	8	227,650
36 11 7 6 12							\$235,660

PUCKER UP, b. f., 1953, Olympia—Lou Lea, by Bull Lea. Danada Farm (Mr. and Mrs. Daniel F. Rice), breeder; Mrs. Ada L. Rice, owner; J. P. Conway, trainer. ARH 1956. 118

The best race mares in the older division in 1957 were Pucker Up, Princess Turia, Bornastar, Searching, Plotter, Rare Treat, Amoret, Manotick, Pardala,

and Dotted Line. Eight of these were the daughters of very good race mares, the exceptions being Pucker Up and Dotted Line. After Pucker Up, the next six were out of runners of the highest class.

Lou Lea, the dam of Pucker Up, was a big, strong mare bred by Calumet Farm and sold to Danada Farm as a yearling, after the chance that she might become a race mare had been erased by an injury to her left hind ankle. Pucker Up, her first foal, was by the exceptional speed sire Olympia, whose success was such that his owners, Fred W. Hooper, Daniel F. Rice, and John W. Galbreath, were advertising him at the end of 1957 at a fee of \$10,000 for a live foal, book full. Pucker Up survived a pre-natal hazard when her dam "almost died" of lockjaw, and she persevered to become the best runner from the family since Signorinetta and Signorina, her distinguished fifth and sixth dams.

The late Joseph E. Widener had bought Signorinetta's daughter *Pasta for about \$40,000 in the days when \$40,000 was a stack of money. *Pasta had a son named Hunting Song which became a leading sire in New Zealand for several years, but for the master of Elmendorf her best service was to produce War Path, whose son Bushranger won the 1936 Grand National Steeplechase under the Widener colors. The family *per se* had ceased to have much value until Pucker Up revived its long-dead laurels, and Olympia and Bull Lea got most of the credit for these, along with James P. Conway, an exceptional trainer of fillies.

Pucker Up grew into robust maturity, sturdy and unusually sound, with a plain appearance that was handsome in comparison with her sire, and with an almost insolent degree of speed. In the 1¼-mile Jersey Belle Stakes, toward the close of her 3-year-old season, she had won by a dozen lengths from Little Pache and Princess Turia and had narrowly missed the track record despite the fact that nothing had been within

Olympia, an outstanding middle-distance runner, gained immediate success as a sire of high-speed horses. Besides Pucker Up, his get included Gandharva, Decathlon, Greek Game, Alhambra, and Espea.



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rock-throwing distance of her in the stretch.

In 1957 Pucker Up traveled far as well as fast. She crossed the continent twice, from Florida to California and back to the East Coast, then went to Chicago, to New York, Kentucky, and New Jersey. Most of her racing was done in the first half of the year, but her honors as best of her division were based mostly on three successive races, one in July, two in September. Most of her other races were good, but not nearly good enough to make her the best.

With R. J. Martin riding, Pucker Up was favorite for her first race of the season, a six-furlong test at Hialeah Park on January 18. She lost ground in the stretch and finished seventh to Myrtle's Jet, Glamour, Olympia Dell, Sorceress,

Little Pache, and Amoret, beaten about $4\frac{1}{2}$ lengths.

On February 6 she got into an allowance race with 109 pounds and ran as if the condition book had made a mistake. With Ted Atkinson up, she did a quarter in :21 $\frac{1}{2}$ and a half in :45 in company with Supreme Joy (112), then went away in the stretch to win by 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths over Amoret, which also qualified for 109 pounds but carried four pounds overweight. Supreme Joy, Myrtle's Jet (121), Glamour (118), Alspal (107), and Levee (121) were next at the finish. The final time, 1:09 $\frac{3}{4}$, was slower than Jet Action's track record by the margin represented by the fraction.

On the strength of this performance, the entry of Pucker Up (119) and Beautillion (115) was 7 to 10 for the seven-



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PUCKER UP

PUCKER UP, b. f., 1953	Olympia, b., 1946	*Heliopolis	{	Hyperion	{	Gainsborough
			{	Drift	{	Selene
		Miss Dolphin	{	Stimulus	{	Swynford
			{	Tinamou	{	Santa Cruz
	Lou Lea, dk. b., 1949	Bull Lea	{	*Bull Dog	{	Ultimus
			{	Rose Leaves	{	Hurakan
		Warlou	{	*Sickle	{	*Light Brigade
			{	War Path	{	Casuarina
					{	*Teddy
					{	Plucky Liege
					{	Ballot
					{	*Colonial
					{	Phalaris
					{	Selene
					{	Man o' War
					{	*Pasta

furlong Columbiana Handicap on February 13. Pucker Up appeared to be going easily as she finished a :45% half-mile with a two-length lead, but she backed up in the stretch and finished third to Amoret (116) and Queen Hopeful (119), beaten a neck and four lengths. Beautillion was fourth, a neck farther back.

Pucker Up (114), ridden by Eddie Arcaro, and Beautillion (112), under Willie Shoemaker, were again favorites in the 1½-mile Suwannee River Handicap at Gulfstream Park March 27, and again they finished third and fourth, this time only a head apart, as if they were growing fonder of one another's company. On the last turn Pucker Up had established a clear lead, then had borne out; she yielded in the stretch to *Estacion (109) and Amoret (121) and was beaten more than three lengths. This was the last time in 1957 that she finished worse than second.

The next three starts were in California, at Hollywood Park. Pucker Up was twice second at six furlongs before winning at a mile. Miss Todd (122) gave her four pounds and equaled the 1:08% track record in defeating her by three parts of a length. Coverit (118), receiving two pounds, outran her all the way in the Milady Handicap, lasted to win by a neck in 1:09%, after having done the first half-mile in :44%.

Ray York and George Taniguchi were the riders in these two races. Shoemaker had the mount in an overnight handicap on June 6, when Pucker Up (122) led all the way, won by six lengths, and was timed in 1:34%, the fastest mile around two turns ever run by a mare. Sunny Gal (105), Triple Jay (116), *Our Betters (118), and Mary Machree (120) were next behind her in the spread-eagled field, and *Tana Linda (118), which failed to repeat her Argentinian form in the U. S., was last of the eight runners.

Pucker Up now was flown back to the East and prepared for the Delaware

Handicap, whose kingsize purse and 1¼-mile distance have made it the country's outstanding race for fillies and mares. Pucker Up had never run such a distance, but she was favorite, and almost made it. She carried 117 pounds. Shoemaker let her do the first quarter in :22% in order to get clear of the big field—there were 19 runners—and then attempted to hold her nearer to a proper pace for a ten-furlong test. She was six lengths in front at the half-mile-pole, but it took her 54 seconds to get the remainder of the distance, and in the last furlong she was caught and beaten a half-length by Princess Turia (119).

The time was 2:05. Little Pache (119), third, was a length behind Pucker Up, and Rare Treat (119) was a close-up fourth. Among the others in the distinguished field were Nasrina (116), Pardala (108), Dotted Line (115), Levee (122), Tournure (115), Floral Park (115), Amoret (125), *Kings Mistake (117), Manotick (118), and Bayou (3, 111). Eleven of the 19 runners carried less than the 117 pounds on Pucker Up.

Conway then moved to Chicago, where Pucker Up inaugurated the string of victories that settled the divisional championship upon her.

Princess Turia (124) was honored with the highest weight in the one-mile Arlington Matron Handicap of July 24, and along with her stablemate Amoret (119) was favorite in the betting. Pucker Up (120), the second choice, did the first half-mile on a slow track in :45%, increased her advantage from one to five lengths on the turn, and coasted home, under Shoemaker's mild hand ride, to win by two lengths from Bornastar (111), which had a 4½-length margin over Lady Swords (108), third. Princess Turia was a distant fourth, followed by Tremor (111), Vici Admiral (113), *Estacion (114), Amoret, and five lightweights. The slow-track time was 1:37.

Given a long rest between races,

Pucker Up waited until Labor Day, September 2, to make the most ambitious attempt of her career, against a field of males in the \$100,000-added Washington Park Handicap at a mile. She had got into the race with an assignment of 111 pounds, but was 5.10 to 1 in the betting. Outrunning the favored Swoon's Son (130) in the first quarter, she reached the top of the stretch with a lead of three lengths. Swoon's Son and Find (122), challenging together, cut the margin in half by the time they reached the eighth-pole, but the filly had the greater reserve, and was again three lengths in front at the finish.

Find, Swoon's Son, and *St. Amour II (113), at half-length intervals, were next across the line. The others, badly beaten, were Terrang (121), *Festin (113½), Golden Notes (3, 1:07½), Fabius (118), and Portersville (114). The time was 1:34½, and Pucker Up became the first mare to perform twice the feat of running a mile around two turns in less than 1:35. No other female in 1957 gained a victory over such a high-class field of males. First money was \$80,800.

Pucker Up now moved to Belmont Park, where for the first time she was officially recognized as the best of her division: Frank Kilroe assigned her top weight of 125 pounds for the nine-furlong Beldame Handicap of September 21, requiring her to concede a pound to Princess Turia and to Searching. Aside from the Delaware Handicap, the field for the Beldame was perhaps the strongest of the year in the filly-and-mare division.

This time Pucker Up was fortunate enough to have one of her rivals cut out the pace. Pete Anderson had Harry La Montagne's Plotter (119) in front nearly all the way, allowing her to run a quarter in :22½, half in :45, three-quarters in 1:09½, and a mile in 1:36. Shoemaker kept Pucker Up two or three lengths behind in the early running and shortened the margin to about a length and a half after the first half-mile, but

made no effort to take the lead until they were in the last furlong. There Pucker Up responded strongly to win by a neck, and the bottom-weighted Gay Life (104), coming from an early position far behind the leaders, got up to finish third, a neck behind Plotter.

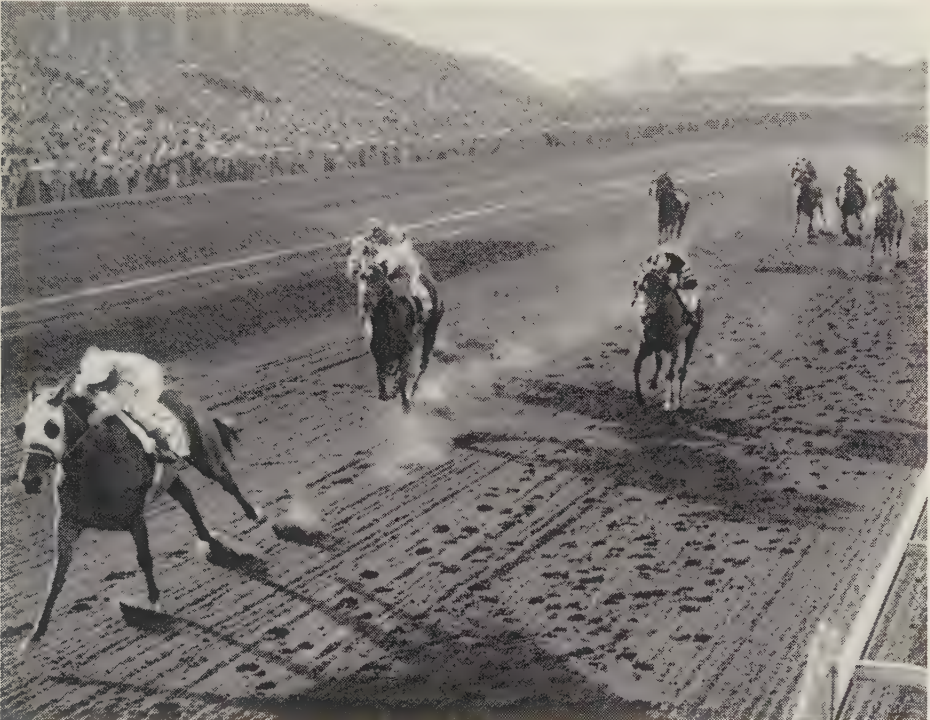
The order of finish among the unplaced was Snow White (3, 111), Princess Turia (124), Tournure (114), Rare Treat (117), Dotted Line (117), Beyond (115), Amoret (117), Nasrina (111), Searching (124), Attica (110), *Lagides (107), Outer Space (3, 112), Pardala (114). Net to the winner was \$51,200. Time for the 1½ miles was 1:49½; it was the fastest renewal of the Beldame at that distance, but prior to 1956 the race had been run around two turns at Aqueduct, as against one turn on the big Belmont Park course.

Pucker Up was shipped to Keeneland, where a \$10,000 supplementary fee was paid to make her eligible for the weight-for-age Spinster Stakes, a gesture which was to result uneasily for the head that wore the crown. Conway preferred to give the filly a preliminary acquaintance with the Keeneland course, and Pucker Up (126) and Beautillion (117) were sent out against Bornastar (120) and Lebkuchen (3, 117) in a no-betting race at seven furlongs and 184 feet on a sloppy track October 17. Pucker Up quickly established a six-length lead, and appeared to be in hand all the way, though John Heckmann showed her the whip when she went wide into the home-stretch. She won by a length and a half, with Bornastar second.

Bornastar, improving rapidly in the latter part of the year, upset the odds in the Spinster. Whether by design or not, it was Beautillion which went out to set the pace. Shoemaker dropped Pucker Up into the second slot and still had a great handful of horse when, mid-way in the last turn, Ken Church brought Bornastar up in a sudden and unexpected challenge. Shoemaker went from a pull to a futile drive.

Pucker Up was a soundly beaten

Pucker Up's only trial against males in 1957 was in the \$100,000-added Washington Park Handicap. She led the way, won easily from Find, Swoon's Son (inside), and others, running the mile in 1:34%.



Washington Park

second, 2½ lengths behind Bornastar, three-quarters of a length ahead of Searching. Unplaced were the leading 3-year-old filly Bayou, Beautillion, and Lady Swords. The favorite had resisted the winner's charge for a distance of less than a hundred yards before capitulating. The time, 1:49%, was the same as that of Doubledogdare in the one previous running of the Spinster.

There were no obvious excuses for the defeat, except that Bornastar had run her best race and Pucker Up had not. Pucker Up's earlier encounter with the Keeneland track, when it was quite wet, had resulted in her "running down" and cutting blood from a hind ankle, but this appeared unimportant. In the cold, damp weather which prevailed in Kentucky in October she may have suffered a physical set-back, but the

symptoms did not appear immediately. Conway took her to Garden State Park for the Vineland Handicap of November 11, but declared her out of the race after she had become ill and registered a temperature of about 104 degrees.

The polls which named Pucker Up as the best of her division were a more or less superfluous ratification of the obvious, though Princess Turia, at her best, was not inferior at the longer distances, and there were scattered votes for other good fillies. Pucker Up was to be kept in the racing stable for another year.

J. A. E.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	2	1	0	0	1	\$ 2,800
1956	3	9	7	0	2	0	51,725
1957	4	13	6	4	2	1	229,235
		24	14	4	4	2	\$283,760

PYLADES, lt. b. g., 1953, ***Orestes III**—Cannobie Lee, by Lochinvar. Mrs. Vaughn Flannery, breeder; R. O. J. Streuber, owner; B. Frank Christmas, trainer. 107

Pylades was at his best early in 1957, when he won Santa Anita Park's Santa Barbara Handicap and ran two excellent races at Jamaica. In the Santa Barbara he carried bottom weight of 107 pounds and won by 2½ lengths from Terrang (124), running 1¼ miles in a fast 1:42. Under 112 pounds in the 1¼-mile Excelsior Handicap, Pylades set the early pace and finished a length off Midafternoon (126) and Beam Rider (110). Coming back two weeks later in the nine-furlong Grey Lag Handicap, Pylades (111) helped carry Kingmaker (116) to a new track mark of 1:48½, but finished third, beaten about four lengths. His physical appearance at the time was excellent, but after resting through the summer months, he never regained the gleam or the speed he had shown in the spring.

Pylades was foaled March 15, 1953, at Mrs. Vaughn Flannery's Cockade Farms, Darlington, Md., and sold, at the 1954 Garden State sales, for \$2,200 to the Myer Brothers, of Monkton, Md. Early in his 3-year-old season he was sold privately to trainer B. Frank Christmas for the account of R. O. J. Streuber. In three campaigns Pylades won five of 26 races, was placed five times, and earned \$41,605. P. O'B.

RELLIM S. W., b. c., 1955, ***Djeddah**—Dear Diane, by Alsab. Leslie Combs II, breeder; W. S. Miller, owner; D. W. Carroll, trainer. 111

The colt which William S. Miller, a member of the Illinois Racing Board, purchased for \$5,500 at the 1956 Keeneland summer sales was called Rellim S. W.—his owner's name spelled backwards. Rellim S. W. failed to win in five added-money races, but he got a slice of the purse in all of them. He

raced 10 times. Not once did he fail to gain in the last furlong, and only in his first race was he worse than fourth.

Rellim S. W. was third to Leather Button and Benedicto in the Joliet Stakes, and in the Arlington Futurity he was second to Leather Button after Alhambra was disqualified from first place; but quite possibly his best race of the year was in the Primer Stakes, 5½ furlongs at Arlington Park on June 26.

Alhambra had won his only start a week before the Primer but the word on the Olympia colt was sufficiently loud that he was odds-on, and Leather Button, which had won the Joliet by four easy lengths, was third choice. Rellim S. W. was nearly 12 to 1. Alhambra led by two lengths after a half-mile, but Leather Button got to him in the stretch, and the favorite barely escaped by the skin of his nose. Rellim S. W. had run more than eight lengths off the pace for the first half-mile, but in the last furlong he moved up to finish two lengths behind the leaders and 1¼ lengths in front of Litte Reaper.

His performance in the 5½-furlong Hyde Park Stakes on July 8 was just as good in that his best running was done deep in the stretch, but he finished fourth to Alhambra, Litte Reaper, and Leather Button, beaten little more than a length while receiving allowances of six pounds from each of the placed horses.

The record: two victories and six placings in ten starts, earnings of \$38,535. J. A.

RENEGED, b. c., 1953, Revoked—White Samite, by Gallant Fox. John A. Bell Jr., breeder; Woodley Lane Farm (Steven Bayard Wilson, Joseph R. Straus, and Lafayette Ward), owner; Homer Pardue, trainer. ARH 1956. 122

A colt of magnificent physique, high speed, and extreme courage, Reneged was only a trifle below the cut of a champion whenever he had a reasonably

The 1½-mile Manhattan Handicap, at Belmont Park October 5, went to Reneged, winner by two lengths over Cavort (3), which beat Third Brother a neck for second place. Reneged won three of 11 starts.



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sound set of legs over a period long enough for trainer Homer Pardue to bring him to condition.

Reneged had been sold twice at Keeneland for \$3,200 as a weanling in the fall of 1953, for \$13,700 the following summer. As a 2-year-old he was given 118 pounds in the Experimental Free Handicap topped by Career Boy; at three he was given 124 pounds in the Blood-Horse Handicap, with only Needles, Swoon's Son, and Fabius above him; and at four he shared seventh rank with Traffic Judge, eight pounds below the top-weighted Bardstown.

These appraisals, of course, were somewhat oversimplified by being reduced to one figure. Reneged had bowed a tendon in the summer of his 2-year-old season. He got back to the races almost a year later, in July, 1956, and was a top-flight runner until November, when he bruised a heel and developed a quarter-crack which kept him out of action until the second half

of 1957. Late in the year he popped a splint and developed a slight bow—usually equated, in race track parlance, with a slight pregnancy—in his right fore leg. It was the tendon of the left leg which had given way at two.

Even when there were no obvious symptoms of trouble, Reneged apparently had pains which failed to be recorded on the hospital chart. Under pressure in a race, he sometimes drifted in or out in search of escape; the swerving could not be attributed to lack of courage. Evidence of this sort was imponderable, but it could not be ignored.

Pardue got Reneged back to the races at Belmont Park on July 5, but did not have him hardened for top-flight competition until near the end of August. He went unplaced, against good company, in three sprints at Belmont, and at the fourth attempt, on August 9 at Saratoga, he got his first victory of the year, in an overnight handicap at a mile. The track was called fast, but

Saratoga was not a fast track at any time in 1957. Reneged (122) ran a mile in 1:39%, and took 27% seconds for the last quarter. His courage was better than his time. He ran with the pace all the way, head-and-head with Quarter Deck (115) for a half-mile, at the throatlatch of Mr. Al L. (116) through the stretch, until he gained a head advantage in the final strides. Gray Phantom (118) was third, three lengths back, and Thinking Cap (122) fourth.

The seven-furlong American Legion Handicap of August 16 had a big field, 15 starters. Reneged (122) had speed until they were in the stretch, where he suffered a bit of interference and dropped back to finish unplaced, about half a dozen lengths behind the winner, Ricci Tavi (122), and a short head behind the top-weighted Career Boy (124).

Racing secretary Frank Kilroe dropped Reneged's weight to 113 pounds for the 1¼-mile Saratoga Handicap of August 24. On the morning of the race Pardue quietly announced to the handicapper, "This is my day." The horse had moved up just as the weight moved down.

Dedicate (127) was favorite for the Saratoga Handicap, at 6 to 5. Reneged was 15.25 to 1. It was not Dedicate's day; he ran poorly, bore out, finished fifth, beaten about eight lengths. Robert Ussery placed Reneged close behind Admiral Vee (113), rubbed out the pacemaker after six furlongs, and kept his mount under punishment through the stretch as Ricci Tavi (116) drew almost even in a strong challenge. Reneged manifested his courage by drawing out near the finish to win by a length. Behind Ricci Tavi were Career Boy (118), Riley (114), Dedicate, Kingmaker (117), and four others. Time, 2:04%. The \$40,000 net to the winner was the biggest purse Reneged won.

At the Belmont Park meeting in September and October the trainer set Reneged three times against the strongest competition in the East, and twice against the next-best. He won only once, when the top-flight horses were absent, but acquitted himself nobly.

Kilroe gave Reneged top weight of 124 pounds for the one-mile Sysonby Handicap of September 7, and scaled the other assignments so nicely that the shortest price in the betting was 4 to 1, the odds against Tick Tock (114) and the Jacobs entry of Searching (113, including a pound overweight) and Promised Land (3, 110). Reneged was third choice at 5 to 1. Four horses were necks apart at the finish, Tick Tock, Reneged, Ricci Tavi (123), and Riley (117). Reneged, making the pace, had slowed down to a last quarter in :26, after having run the half-mile in :45% and three-quarters in 1:10%.

The 1½-mile Nassau County Handicap on September 18 found Reneged (121) giving one of his best performances, but he was outrun in the last half-furlong and finished third to *Gallant Man (3, 121) and Dedicate (126), beaten a neck and a length. Tick Tock (113) was fourth, a neck farther back, followed by Oh Johnny (111), Third Brother (119), and Beam Rider (108). Reneged had done the first mile in 1:34% before he was caught, and *Gallant Man's final time of 1:47% was a new track record by three-fifths of a second. The first four horses across the line had beaten the old record, made by Counterpoint as a 3-year-old in 1951.

Pardue gave Reneged the hardest assignment of his career in the weight-for-age Woodward Stakes on September 28, and he was better than 17 to 1 in the four-horse field. He made the pace for more than six furlongs and finished last, a head behind Bold Ruler, about 3½ lengths behind Dedicate, which avenged himself on the 3-year-old *Gallant Man, his conqueror in the Nassau County. Dedicate's time for the 1½ miles was 2:01.

These defeats may have given the impression that Reneged was subject to limitation in distance capacity; they were perhaps better interpreted as indicating that three horses in New York were too good for him. On October 5 he shared top weight of 125 pounds with Third Brother in the 1½-mile Manhattan

Handicap, was a slight favorite, and won by two lengths over Cavort (110) and Third Brother, with Admiral Vee (120) and Beam Rider (111) unplaced. The one other starter, Riley (119), broke a hind leg and to be destroyed.

Time for the 1½ miles was 2:29%. Ussery had let Reneged follow just off the pace of Cavort, and did not allow him to take a clear lead until they were in the last stretch. The reward for this exhibition of stamina was \$37,300.

A week later Reneged was sent to the well again—once too often—in the two-mile Jockey Club Gold Cup. In this two-mile test at weight for age he lasted only half the distance and finished third to *Gallant Man and Third Brother, beaten nine lengths. Reneged was inferior to *Gallant Man, and possibly to Third Brother, at two miles, but not by a nine-length margin. There had been no reason for keeping him under pressure after Third Brother had beaten him for the place, for the other two runners were behind him by a margin more than twice as large. Reneged had been bothered during the first six furlongs by the 3-year-old Jocko's Walk attempting to bear in upon him.

Reneged was taken to Hialeah Park with bright prospects for the winter season until a slight swelling on the tendon of his right fore leg, about halfway between knee and fetlock joint, became too serious to be ignored. With his usual patience. Homer Pardue went back to nursing.

J. A. E.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	8	3	3	0	2	\$ 25,100
1956	3	10	5	1	1	3	119,750
1957	4	11	3	1	2	5	101,200
29 11 5 3 10							\$246,050

RICCI TAVI, b. c., 1953, *Rico Monte—Sea Snack, by Hard Tack, Christiana Stables (Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Lunger), breeder and owner; Henry S. Clark, trainer. ARH 1956. 120

Ricci Tavi, a son of the excellent race mare Sea Snack, won two stakes in 1957,

Pimlico's Mr. Fitz Handicap and Saratoga's American Legion Handicap, but the 4-year-old's best performance of the year was in an overnight handicap at Belmont Park—the 1½-mile Hempstead Handicap, slated on July 25 as preliminary to 1 3/16-mile Brooklyn Handicap.

Admiral Vee, fresh from a victory in the Queens County Handicap, was assigned top weight of 122 pounds, and other highweights were Kingmaker (119), Riley (118), Ricci Tavi (118), and Tick Tock (115). Ricci Tavi, unsuccessful in four starts since winning the Fitz, was held as third choice at 19-5. Kingmaker, which had established a track record in winning Jamaica's 1½-mile Grey Lag Handicap, set the pace, reeling off fractions of :22% and :44% while being pressed by Admiral Vee. Eldon Nelson, riding Ricci Tavi, was content to remain about five lengths off this early pace.

Moving into the turn, Nelson sent Ricci Tavi after Kingmaker, and Admiral Vee began to falter. After six furlongs in 1:09%, Ricci Tavi was a half-length off the leader and about a neck behind the second horse, Tick Tock. Kingmaker lost out at the top of the stretch, and Tick Tock took charge. Ricci Tavi kept the pressure on, and at the sixteenth-pole he put his head in front, drawing out a half-length victory in 1:41%, a new track record. The time was especially impressive, considering that two races earlier a filly as good as Pardala, then at the top of her form, had run the same distance in 1:44% under 116 pounds.

Ricci Tavi's first stakes victory of the year was in the 1 3/16-mile Mr. Fitz Handicap, at Pimlico on May 17. Trainer James Fitzsimmons, the grand old gentleman for whom the race was named, had a sharp horse himself, Gray Phantom (118). Ricci Tavi (121) had everything his own way until the top of the stretch, where he yielded a temporary advantage to Gray Phantom,

*Ricci Tavi, 4-year-old son of *Rico Monte and the good stakes winner Sea Snack, gave Gray Phantom three pounds and beat him a length in the 1 3/16-mile Mr. Fitz Handicap. Go Lightly (1) finished third.*



Jerry Frutkoff

but he came back inside the furlong-pole to win going away by a length.

Bardstown (130) was the heavyweight for the 1½-mile Camden Handicap at Garden State Park June 1, but neither he nor Ricci Tavi (118) could handle Third Brother (118), which won by four lengths. Bardstown was second by two lengths over Ricci Tavi.

Ricci Tavi (122) chose one of his shorter races, the seven-furlong American Legion Handicap at Saratoga on August 16, to be sluggish from the barrier. He won, nevertheless, by a length from Nan's Mink, and it was his last success of the year.

Reneged (113) beat Ricci Tavi (116) a length, going away, in the 1¼-mile Saratoga Handicap, and Career Boy (118) was third, 1½ lengths farther back.

As in the American Legion, Ricci Tavi ran his last two races, the one-mile Sysonby Handicap and a six-furlong overnight handicap, from off the pace. Whether by design or accident, the tactic, in retrospect, seemed of doubtful value for a horse with as much sustained speed. Tick Tock (114) won the Sysonby by a neck over Reneged (124), which was a neck in front of the fast-closing Ricci Tavi (123). By Jeepers (107) won the overnight, with Ricci Tavi (126) in fifth place.

P. O'B.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	12	4	1	2	5	\$ 13,525
1956	3	16	6	2	0	8	79,475
1957	4	13	4	3	2	4	62,700
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		41	14	6	4	17	\$155,700

RILEY, b. c., 1953, Hill Prince—Easy Living, by *Heliopolis. Greentree Stud, Inc. (Mrs. Charles S. Payson and John Hay Whitney), breeder; Greentree Stable, owner; John M. Gaver, trainer. ARH 1956. 118

No resume of the 1957 racing season in New York would be complete without Riley, which broke a leg in the Manhattan Handicap on October 5 and was destroyed. The 1956 Dwyer Stakes winner did not win in 1957, but he always performed creditably against stout competition.

His only stakes placing—four times he was fourth—was a neck defeat by King-maker, from which he got three pounds, in the 1½-mile Whitney Handicap. One of his best races was his second to Third Brother in a 1¼-mile overnight handicap at Belmont Park on September 27. He carried 122 pounds to the winner's 126, and was slowly getting to him at the end. In three seasons Riley won six of 32 races, placed in eight others, and earned \$95,475. P. O'B.

***RISE 'N SHINE, gr. c., 1955, Hyperion—Deodora, by Dante. Cavendish Stud, breeder (in England); Llangollen Farm (Mrs. M. E. Lunn), owner; Charles Whittingham, trainer. 112**

*Rise 'n Shine made more headlines as a yearling, when he sold at Saratoga for the record price of \$87,000, than he did as a 2-year-old. Winner of a maiden race at Belmont Park on September 21 in his third start, he ran his best race of the year there on October 3, turning back Turpitude, Dartmoor, Miocene, and three others, doing a mile in 1:37%. He was unplaced to Jewel's Reward in the one-mile Champagne Stakes, beaten 15 lengths, and on December 31, at Santa Anita Park, he was fourth to Swaps Kin in the six-furlong Los Feliz Stakes, beaten 8½ lengths. The record: six starts, two wins, a second, earnings of \$8,150.

D. M. B. III

ROMAN BOW, dk. b. c., 1955, Roman Sandal—Bowsprit, by Bud Lerner. J. H. Bell Jr. and D. M. Davis Jr., breeders and owners; D. M. Davis Jr., trainer. 107

Commuting from one Middle Western track to another, the speedy Roman Bow managed to win seven races. Before the Youthful Stakes at Randall Park on September 2, he had been outrun in several stakes. But he had won a maiden race, two allowance races, and two claiming races for \$10,000 and \$15,000.

In the Youthful, Roman Bow went to the front early, drew out swiftly in the last furlong, and won by 5½ lengths over Four Fives and Dixley Dudley. Time for the six furlongs was a lively 1:10%.

The front-running Roman Bow made it two straight in the Livonia Stakes at Detroit on September 28. Leading narrowly all the way, he was under pressure to whip John's Bid by a head, with He's First a pressing third. Roman Bow showed no life in his last start, the Hawthorne Juvenile Handicap on October 5. The winner was Terra Firma, which had been third to Roman Bow in a dash at Arlington Park on July 26. The record: 13 starts, seven victories, one second, and earnings of \$27,538. J. A.

ROMANITA, b. f., 1954, Roman-Mablen, by *Blenheim II. Matt Winn Williamson, breeder; Reverie Knoll Farm (Freeman Keyes), owner; Frank Sanders, trainer. ARH 1956. 114

In the 1956 poll conducted by the Thoroughbred Racing Associations, 22 racing secretaries gave Romanita a slight advantage over Leallah as best 2-year-old filly of the year. Romanita had won seven of 17 starts and had earned \$120,420, despite a disqualification from first place in the Gardenia Stakes. In 1957 she won three races at three different tracks, at distances from six furlongs to 1½ miles.

Romanita made her 1957 debut in the seven-furlong Cleopatra Handicap at

Arlington Park on June 17. She carried 121 pounds, from five to 11 pounds more than any of the other seven starters, and was a 22-10 favorite. She took the lead with an eighth of a mile to go, then turned back the late bid of Woodlawn (115) to win by half a length. Love Doll (110) got third money. The time of 1:22 $\frac{1}{2}$ was two-fifths slower than the track record.

Romanita next tried the Miss Woodford Stakes at Monmouth Park on July 20. She was the 27-10 favorite, and shared top weight of 118 pounds with Leallah, Miss Blue Jay, and Marullah. Never close, she was unplaced to Mrs. Hellen (112), Light 'n Lovely (112), and Nile Lily (112).

In the Monmouth Oaks seven days later Romanita (117) was second choice at 33-10 to Bayou, which had won the

Acorn Stakes and Delaware Oaks in June. Mlle. Dianne (113) set the pace for nearly six furlongs, with Romanita never more than a length behind. Romanita took the lead at the top of the stretch, disposed of a brief challenge by Here and There (113) near the eighth-pole, and staved off Evening Time (121) to win by a nose. A length behind Evening Time was Market Basket (121). In the beaten field, besides Bayou, were Willamette (121) and Magic Forest (117).

Returned to Chicago, Romanita (122) on August 7 was an 11-10 choice in the one-mile Misty Isle Handicap. Lady Bolero (116) set a dazzling pace, with Romanita never more than two lengths behind. At the top of the stretch the leader began to falter, but then Rosewood (112) came along on the outside



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Romanita (2) took command at the top of the stretch in the 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ -mile Monmouth Oaks and withstood the challenge of Evening Time (6) to win by a nose. Market Basket (10), from California, was third.

Freeman Keyes, of Reverie Knoll Farm, bought Romanita for \$10,000 at the 1954 Keeneland fall sales. She was the third-ranked filly in the 1956 Experimental Free Handicap. The jockey is Jack Skelly.



Turfotos

to score by almost 3 lengths in 1:35. Lady LaRue (111) got up to edge Romanita by a neck.

In the Beverly Handicap at $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles two weeks later Romanita (114) was 9-2 while Calumet Farm's Rosewood and Amoret were favored at 21-10. Romanita dropped back after six furlongs, finishing sixth to Dotted Line (112), Lady Swords (108), and Bornastar (110).

Romanita (121) ran the same type of race in the $1\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Gazelle Handicap at Belmont Park on September 11, faltering in the final furlong and finishing fifth behind Bayou (120), Evening Time (118), and Pink Velvet (116).

Garden State Park was the next port of call. Here Romanita raced four times to complete her 1957 career. She won a six-furlong test from Poll-O-Mine and

Inquisitive, and was third in her other appearances.

In the Jersey Belle Stakes on November 5 Sam Boulmetis held Romanita (121) five to six lengths off the pace of Always Sunny (112). She closed some ground in the stretch and finished third, beaten $3\frac{1}{2}$ lengths by Pink Velvet (118), with Light n' Lovely (115) second. The mile and a sixteenth was done in 1:44.

Romanita was 11.60-1 in the $1\frac{1}{8}$ -mile Vineland Handicap, against some of the best older fillies and mares. Pucker Up was the overnight choice, but when she was declared on the morning of the race the Calumet Farm entry of Amoret (116) and Beyond (114) became the favorite at 19-10. Romanita took a narrow lead after about six furlongs, and at the eighth-pole she was a head in front of

Amoret, with Pardala (112) third. But Dotted Line (115) charged through in the last sixteenth to win by 1¼ lengths. Pardala was a half-length in front of Romanita.

Romanita's dam, Mablen, was bred by William du Pont Jr. She raced once as a 2-year-old, before going to the stud. She was sold to the Gilpin family's Kentmere Farm at Boyce, Va. In 1953, she was bred to Roman, then leased for a year to Matt Winn Williamson, owner of Old Westport Place, near Louisville, where Romanita was foaled April 19, 1954. Williamson sold the filly, after she had been weaned, to James P. Headley, Lexington tobacco man who resold her in the fall sales at Keeneland to Freeman Keyes, Chicago advertising executive and owner of Reverie Knoll Farm, for \$10,000, top price of the sales for a weanling.

J. A.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	17	7	3	3	4	\$120,420
1957	3	10	3	0	4	3	64,765
		27	10	3	7	7	\$185,185

ROSE TRELLIS, b. g., 1955, *Heliopolis-Rose Fern, by Fairy Manhurst. William du Pont Jr., breeder; Foxcatcher Farms (William E. du Pont Jr.), owner; Richard E. Handlen, trainer.

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The top gelding on the 1957 Experimental Free Handicap was Rose Trellis, and only five colts received higher weights. His only stakes win was Saratoga's historic Hopeful, but he was third four times in top company.

Rose Trellis might have had a better season but for a habit of swinging wide on the last turn. While this usually got him in trouble, it also was responsible for his one stakes win. Wheeling out past the middle of Saratoga's old track, Rose Trellis carried Louis d'Or with him, then romped off to a 2½-length victory. It seemed clear that the maneuver had hurt Louis d'Or's chances, but jockey

Raul Sterling, on Louis d'Or, never claimed foul.

The 1957 Hopeful did not live up to its reputation as one of the top 2-year-old races of the summer in the East. One by one the contenders had fallen away, and at post time for the 6½-furlong event the odds favored Jimmer. Rose Trellis was the least regarded of the seven starters, having only won a maiden event in six previous appearances. He had run a strong third, a length off Li'l Fella and Jester in the Great American Stakes, but was getting eight pounds, and in his next race he had been soundly beaten by Jimmer in the Grand Union Hotel Stakes.

Jimmer snatched a daylight lead, and for a half-mile jockey Frank Lovato kept Rose Trellis in third place, about three lengths behind. Advancing on the turn, Rose Trellis drifted wide, carrying Louis d'Or with him and losing ground to the leader. Jimmer was tiring, though, and Rose Trellis, once straightened away, had little trouble running him down to win in the excellent time of 1:18. Louis d'Or finished second, 2½ lengths back.

Rose Trellis was far back in Jewel's Reward's Cowdin Stakes, then put together three excellent races. In the Champagne Stakes on October 2, going a mile for the first time, Rose Trellis was third, beaten 1¼ lengths by Jewel's Reward. Misty Flight was a neck back of the driving winner, which was timed in 1:37%. Rose Trellis seemed to have a lead for a moment high in the stretch, but he faltered ever so slightly in the last sixteenth and Jewel's Reward and Misty Flight made the most of it.

In New Jersey for the Garden State Stakes, Rose Trellis again put in a corking race, finishing third, two lengths off Nadir (122). Terra Firma was second. Rose Trellis had picked up five lengths on the leaders in the last half-mile.

The public was getting wise to Rose Trellis. From 20-1 in the Champagne, he was 15-1 in the Garden State, 4-1 in the Remsen Stakes. Hustled a little harder in the early furlongs of the 1¼-6-

mile Remsen, he had nothing left in the last quarter. Misty Flight and Whitley beat him more than four lengths, in 1:45.

Rose Trellis was the second foal of Rose Fern, second in the 1950 Schuylerville Stakes and third in the Selima. The second dam, Roseretter, was second in the 1938 Lawrence Realization and produced, in addition to Rose Fern, the good winners Service Pilot and Rose Beam, both of stakes class. Rose Trellis won two of 11 races, was twice second, four times third and earned \$105,172.

P. O'B.

ROSEWOOD, br. f., 1954, Bull Lea-Easy Lass, by *Blenheim II. Calumet Farm (Mrs. Gene Markey), breeder and owner; H. A. Jones, trainer.
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Rosewood, after going unraced at two, made her debut in Florida. At Garden State Park in May she began to find her running shoes. The sister to Coaltown put together two winning races in New Jersey, both at a mile and 70 yards. The first was over a fast track, the second in the mud. In the second race she carried two pounds more than she had in the first and ran two-fifths of a second faster, 1:44.

She lost three races in June. Evening Time and Romanita handled her easily in the first two, and Lady Bolero beat her 1¼ lengths in the other. On July 31 she put away Woodlawn and Dale's Delight at six furlongs, and a week later she won Calumet Farm's last stakes of the season, the Misty Isle Handicap.

Romanita (122) was the highweight and even-money favorite. Rosewood, receiving 12 pounds, was the second choice. Lady Bolero (116) set a fast pace, pressed by Romanita. Rosewood, not far away at any time, moved up on the outside in the stretch and scored by 2½ lengths. Lady LaRue (109) made a late bid to beat Romanita a neck for the place. Time for the mile was 1:35.

The Misty Isle was Rosewood's best

race. She ran four times later, but showed little. Rosewood had 20 starts, five victories, three seconds, two thirds, and earnings of \$28,895. J. A.

ROUND TABLE, b. c., 1954, *Princequillo-*Knight's Daughter, by Sir Cosmo. Claiborne Farm, breeder; Kerr Stable, owner; William Molter, trainer.
ARH 1956. 129

In the usual course of events, a great many turns of the race track have to be made before an owner comes upon a horse of exceptional class. But Travis Mitchell Kerr, of the Kerr-McGee Oil Company, was spoiled; he had learned how to cut across the infield, as it were. In the summer of 1955 he made a successful short-cut by purchasing the excellent sprinter Bobby Brocato (ARH 1956), which trainer William Molter soon made an excellent stayer. Early in 1957 he did it again.

Not all of Kerr's attempted short-cuts had been successful, of course, but Bobby Brocato had been enough to cancel out the failures. In the winter of 1956-57 Kerr assigned Joe Hernandez and Dr. John E. Peters the task of buying another top-class horse. When they had concluded that Claiborne Farm's Round Table probably was the best of the 1956 2-year-olds which might be available for purchase, Hernandez made a substantial offer to Arthur B. Hancock Jr., who declined it politely.

Round Table made his first start of the year in the six-furlong Hibiscus Stakes at Hialeah Park on January 19. He stayed with the leaders for a little more than a quarter-mile, then fell back and finished tenth in a field of 13. The first three were *Gallant Man, Missile, and King Hairan.

Hernandez tried again. Instead of lowering his offer, he raised it. On February 9, as the colt was going to the post for a 1½-mile overnight race, Hancock and Dr. Peters made an oral agreement on the sale. Round Table finished sixth of seven, the winner, Iron



Allen F. Brewer Jr.

ROUND TABLE

ROUND TABLE, b. c., 1954	°Princequillo, b., 1940	Prince Rose	Rose Prince	°Prince Palatine Eglantine
			Indolence	Gay Crusader Barrier
		°Cosquilla	Papyrus	Tracery Miss Matty
			Quick Thought	White Eagle Mindful
	°Knights Daughter, b., 1941	Sir Cosmo	The Boss	Orby Southern Cross II
			Ayn Hali	Desmond Lalla Rookh
		Feola	Friar Marcus	Cicero Prim Nun
			Aloe	Son-in-Law Alope

Liege, setting a new track record of 1:42%.

Hancock had not lost faith in the colt. When he sold Round Table to Hernandez for \$145,000 net, he retained a 20 per cent interest in the horse as a stallion. By the end of 1957 this interest had appreciated in value to a figure which could only be guessed, but had to be guessed somewhere in the neighborhood of the selling price, since Round Table had a pedigree worthy of the class he was to show.

His sire was the Claiborne Farm stallion *Princequillo (see Dedicate), which had achieved the highest distinction in the face of the most formidable competition in the history of American Thoroughbred breeding. His dam, though her five earlier foals included nothing of comparable class, was herself a very good performer during a brief wartime career in England. She won her first three races, all at five furlongs, as a 2-year-old in 1943, and went wrong in her fourth and final start.

The first-money earnings credited to *Knight's Daughter were £1,047, a figure which loses all meaning if translated into dollars, and loses most of its meaning if compared with normal peacetime earnings in Great Britain. The average distribution per runner there in 1943 was a little less than £80, and *Knight's Daughter, whether appraised by earnings or otherwise, was in the top one-half of one per cent of the fillies foaled in her year. Because of wartime travel restrictions, there were only regional Free Handicaps for the 2-year-olds of 1943. In the Newmarket Free Handicap *Knight's Daughter was ranked sixth among the fillies, but half of the top 12 2-year-olds were females.

*Knight's Daughter was by the speed sire Sir Cosmo, and on the distaff side she was from classic and staying ancestry. Her dam, Feola, which had won the Midsummer Stakes and finished second in the One Thousand Guineas and third in the Oaks, produced an excellent brood, including the Dewhurst Stakes and One Thousand Guineas win-

ner Hypericum; the top-class Angelola; and another high-class filly, Above Board, which became the dam of the good runner Doutelle. Feola's granddam, Alope, a high-class race mare, produced the Ascot Gold Cup winner Foxlaw, and was a half-sister to Comedienne, dam of *Strolling Player and the Derby winner Call Boy.

In sharp contrast to his first two races of the year was Round Table's first start for his new owner. This was in a seven-furlong test at Hialeah Park on February 16, a week after his sale. This time Steve Brooks, who had been his usual rider, let him open a four-length lead in the first quarter, and he won by six lengths from *Lucky Dip, which was in receipt of 12 pounds, with Jet Colonel third, and Better Bee fourth. The favorite, Federal Hill, had "grabbed a quarter" and lost his rider at the start, but this day he would have found it difficult to stay with Round Table, which ran the seven furlongs in 1:22% under 126 pounds.

From this race, and from later ones, Arthur Hancock learned why Round Table's first two appearances of 1957 had resulted in such complete failure. In the Breeders' Futurity at Keeneland the previous October, Round Table had catapulted out of the starting gate so fast that Brooks was almost dislodged from the saddle and had to take back. The colt then went on to win, finishing with such courage as to persuade the owner and trainer Moody Jolley that it would be best to let him "run from behind." When the theory was put into practice at Hialeah Park it proved to be wrong. Thereafter the colt was only rarely more than two lengths behind the early pace.

Round Table achieved his speed in a slightly unorthodox manner, running with his head low and, in Hancock's phrase, "right off his hocks." Consequently he was a fast-track horse. Whenever the going failed to give firm purchase for the extreme extension of his stride, he was at a disadvantage. The only race he won over an off track was a betless exhibition in which the

other two starters were completely outclassed.

After his victory of February 16 at Hialeah, Round Table was flown to California and settled at Santa Anita Park. On March 2 he was one of the favored four-horse entry sent to the post by trainer William Molter for the Santa Anita Derby, for which he was a supplementary entry. The track was very slow, but John Longden, by staying far out from the rail, was able to keep Round Table with the leaders all the way. Going more than half-way to the outside rail for the stretch run, he joined Sir William and Swirling Abbey in an almost equal contest through the last furlong. He held a slight lead over these two at the eighth-pole, but the photograph at the finish showed him in third place, beaten a head by Sir

William, a nose by Swirling Abbey. Royal Heir, $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths back, was fourth in the field of 13.

Time for the $1\frac{1}{8}$ miles was 1:54 $\frac{1}{2}$, which came within a fifth of the record for the slowest Santa Anita Derby ever run at that distance. The last furlong was done in a fast 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ seconds, but it had taken 28 $\frac{1}{2}$ seconds to get the previous quarter-mile.

Molter tried Round Table in the San Bernardino Handicap, $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles, on March 11. He had top weight of 122 pounds, and with Joe Price (119) as a betting entry, was odds-on. But this time the track was heavy, and Round Table, though he forced the pace of Mystic Eye (111) until they were in the last furlong, was beaten into fifth place by Lightning Jack (112), Mystic Eye, Royal Heir (115), and Joe Price. This



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°Knight's Daughter, Round Table's dam, won three of her four races, ranked among the best wartime fillies in England. She was by the speed sire Sir Cosmo out of the One Thousand Guineas winner Feola.

was the last time he ran on such a track, and the last time he came home empty-handed.

On the first Saturday in April, with Ralph Neves in the irons, Round Table got his kind of track for the Derby at Bay Meadows. He led all the way, ran the $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles in 1:41%, won by $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths from the odds-on Swirling Abbey, which had an even larger margin over the other four starters, *Irisher, Buford, Shoplacerwin, and Noorrullah.

The Kerr Stable ownership, which included Mrs. Kerr and daughter Nancy, was now prepared to try for the Kentucky Derby. Molter wasn't. But the trainer's position was weakened by his own experience: he had argued against taking Determine to Churchill Downs three years earlier, and Determine had come back with the wreath of roses.

The trip to Churchill Downs was made by way of Keeneland, where on April 25 Round Table conceded five pounds to each of the other five starters in the Blue Grass Stakes and was favorite at even money. Neves let him make his own pace, and he did the first half-mile in a deliberate 48 seconds. In the stretch, as a saucy rebuttal to challenges on the last turn, he strode away to win by six lengths from One-Eyed King. The others were Manteau, Shan Pac, *Lucky Dip, and Breezy Night. The reconditioned Keeneland track was quite fast, and the winner's time for the $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles was 1:47%, a new track record, 1% seconds faster than the former mark set by Correspondent in 1953. (Five days earlier, with an exercise boy up, Round Table had worked six furlongs in 1:09% at Keeneland.)

Round Table was among the favorites for the Kentucky Derby, and he finished third, not quite three lengths behind Iron Liege and *Gallant Man, a full three lengths ahead of Bold Ruler, fourth. He had been pocketed on the stretch turn, when he apparently could have gone to the leaders if the way had been open, but he was being outrun in the last eighth. The track was slightly

"cuppy"; whether it was yielding enough to constitute a disadvantage for Round Table was a matter for speculation.

The colt was lame after the Derby, and examination revealed that a short rusty nail had worked into a frog. But it was not certain whether the nail was picked up before or after the race.

Kerr soon made up his own nickname for Round Table, calling him Little Toughie because of his anti-social attitude in the presence of other horses. The name turned out to be applicable to his soundness and fighting spirit in competition, but he proved not quite tough enough for the first task assigned him at the Hollywood Park meeting. Carrying 105 pounds against a field of older horses in the $1\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Californian Stakes, he headed Miss Todd (110) after they had done the first six furlongs in 1:09%, but gave way in the stretch to Social Climber (119), which beat him by a length and a half. Find (119) was third, followed by Terrang (119), Eddie Schmidt (111), *Holandes II (119), and six others. Time, 1:40%.

Round Table was not beaten again on his kind of track in 1957. In his next start he opened a series of 11 victories in succession. There was to be a singular uniformity about these races, as if the colt could be wound up like a toy to go through the same routine whenever his trainer pleased. He was always either in front or close behind the leaders in the early running, and he had competition in the last furlong only once, when running against older horses in the United Nations Handicap. Usually he was being eased before the finish was reached. Usually he was carrying top weight, and always, when there was betting, he was favorite.

His five victories at the Hollywood Park meeting, where the track was always fast, were in the Will Rogers Stakes, in which he ran a mile in 1:34% under 122 pounds; El Dorado Handicap, $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles in 1:41, with 126 pounds; Cinema Handicap, $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles in 1:47%, 130 pounds; Hollywood Gold Cup Handicap, against older horses, $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles

Round Table earned his richest purse in the easiest fashion, galloping to a four-length victory over the Kentucky Derby winner Iron Liege in the American Derby.. Time for 1 3/16 miles on Washington Park's grass course was 1:55.



Washington Park

in 1:58%, 109 pounds; and Westerner Stakes, 1¼ miles in 2:00%, 129 pounds. In less than two months, at one meeting, Round Table earned \$252,500. Ralph Neves had the mount in the Will Rogers, George Taniguchi in the El Dorado, William Shoemaker in the later races.

There was no West Coast 3-year-old capable of measuring Round Table's class; he beat the best of them without being extended. Joe Price, a stablemate, receiving 4, 11, and 16 pounds, was second in the first three races, and in the \$100,000-added Westerner, under 118 pounds, he was third, behind *Irisher (110), which also was trained by Molter.

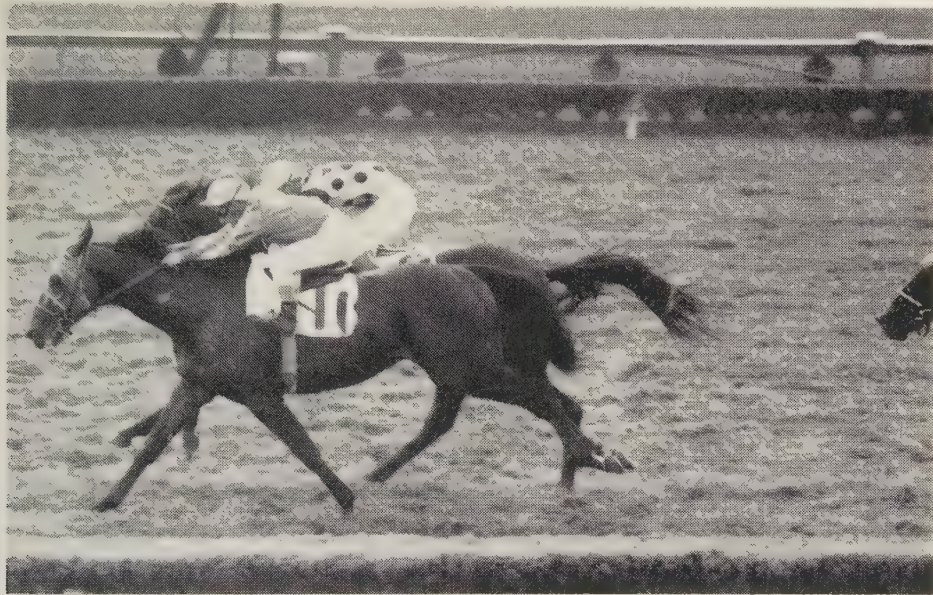
Even in the Gold Cup, against the tougher competition of older horses, Round Table was being eased before the finish, but he had been obliged to match a faster pace, and the time afforded some measure of what he could do. His 109 pounds in this race were equal, by the scale, to 119 on an older horse. He ran the first half-mile in :45%

in company with *El Khobar (120), brushed off the challenge of Find (118), and at the end of a mile in 1:33% was four lengths in front. Though Shoemaker was taking him up before the finish, he did the last quarter in :24%.

The final time, 1:58%, equaled the track record set in 1956 by Swaps. It was the fastest mile and a quarter of the year, the fastest ever run by a 3-year-old, and two-fifths slower than *Noor's world record set in 1950 at Golden Gate Fields. Not in recent years, if ever, had a 3-year-old beaten older horses in a major race at 1¼ miles in the U. S. so early in the season. Porterhouse (119) ran one of his best races in the Gold Cup, but was beaten 3¼ lengths. The steady old Find (118), almost as dependable as a yardstick, was two lengths farther back in third place, seven lengths ahead of Eddie Schmidt (108), fourth. Guaranteed net to the winner was \$100,000; the track had to add \$133,500 to the stakes.

Having concluded the Hollywood

*Only close decision in Round Table's 11 successive victories was in the United Nations Handicap, in which he stumbled, lost ground, stood off repeated challenges, defeated *Tudor Era by a nose.*



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Park campaign with victories on the first three Saturdays in July, Round Table, along with Molter's other charges, was shipped to Chicago for the American Derby on the turf course at Washington Park. In preparation for this he scored an effortless victory over a small field in a betless exhibition at $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles on the grass, and 11 days later, on August 31, he took up 126 pounds in the Derby, was an even-money favorite, and galloped to a four-length victory over the Kentucky Derby winner Iron Liege (126). Ekaba (120) was third in the field of eight. Time for the $1\frac{3}{16}$ miles was 1:55, two-fifths slower than Swaps' track record. First money was \$100,350.

Round Table got his eighth successive victory in another race on grass, the invitational United Nations Handicap at Atlantic City September 14, with \$65,000 to the winner. This one was not achieved easily, but it gave a measure of Little Toughie's courage under pressure. His assignment for the United Nations

was 118 pounds, equal by the scale to Career Boy's actual top weight of 123, and he was favorite at 7 to 10. Starting from the outside post position in the field of 11, he stumbled as he came out of the gate, and though the delay was only momentary, it left him with the disadvantage of having to round the turn with the four leaders between him and the rail—Find (122), *Akbar Khan (116), Jabneh (114), and Hoop Band (119). The longer radius of the turn cost him three or four lengths.

It was not until they were near the end of the first three-quarters that Round Table and Find opened a half-length of "daylight" between them and the other leaders, and it was not until they were in the last furlong that Round Table got more than a head advantage over his 7-year-old adversary. No sooner had Find surrendered than *Tudor Era (112) ranged alongside. Shoemaker roused Round Table for a final effort, got him home first by a nose.

Find, two lengths back at the finish,

was followed by Career Boy, *Sunningdale (112), Hoop Band, *Rafty (115), Jabneh, Chevation (115), *Ben Lomond (3, 112), and *Akbar Khan. A claim of foul by jockey R. J. Martin on behalf of *Tudor Era was disallowed. The time for the 13/16 miles was 1:56½, two-fifths slower than the track record set by the 5-year-old *Iceberg II in 1953.

If Round Table had lost the United Nations, the defeat would have been excusable on other grounds than his stumbling start. The trainer revealed, months later, that the colt had diarrhea for a week before the race, and the case of "scours" was accompanied by a rash. The quick recovery attested a strong constitution.

Round Table was returned to Chicago, to the Hawthorne course, where, after galloping home with a seven-length margin in a no-betting race at 1¼/16 miles, he turned in a most impressive race in the Hawthorne Gold Cup of October 12. The only 3-year-old in the field of six, he took up 121 pounds, receiving two pounds by the scale from Swoon's Son (128), and was favorite at 7 to 10. William Harmatz, who now replaced Shoemaker in the saddle, let Round Table go to the front, then yielded the lead to Swoon's Son, and moved up at the last turn. The two colts then ran together until they were in the last furlong, where Round Table drew away with ease to win by three lengths. The others, in order of finish, were Find (119), Eddie Schmidt (113), Bernburgoo (110), and *Mahan (113).

At the quarter-pole, where Round Table and Swoon's Son were on virtually even terms, they had run the first mile in 1:35½, unofficially equaling the track record for that distance. Round Table finished the mile and a quarter in 2:00½, reducing Sub Fleet's track record by two-fifths of a second.

For weeks there had been talk—sometimes verging on charge and counter-charge—of a special race, a match, or whatever anyone could think of, between Round Table and *Gallant

Man, because both of them were champions. There still persists in American racing a frightening fancy that a championship can be resolved in one race; that the loser no longer can be considered "the best." The public, and even the owners, became terribly restless to have the matter decided, even though two-horse races are a notoriously poor medium for the decision.

As it fell out, a three-horse race gave the verdict as positively, and with as little resemblance to acceptable judgment, as a match would have done. Round Table made a trip to Garden State Park and, though his merit was in no way re-measured, he ceded all chance for the year-end honors which he probably would have taken by default if he had stayed away.

On November 1, for the third time in 1957, he ran in a betless race. The track was sloppy, but the other two starters were outclassed by such a margin that Round Table had to be tricked into believing he was in a race, and he went away to an eight-length margin in the stretch.

The Trenton Handicap of November 11 brought together Round Table and *Gallant Man at equal weight, 124 pounds. The only other runner was another 3-year-old, Bold Ruler (122)—champion No. 3. Bold Ruler led all the way without ever having been in competition. Shoemaker, on *Gallant Man, was afraid to match Bold Ruler's early speed for fear of what Round Table might do in the stretch. Round Table did nothing in his usual style. The track, drying out and almost fast, had damp spots here and there, and the only time he behaved like Round Table was on the last turn, where *Gallant Man moved up between him and the rail and they ran together for nearly a quarter-mile, cutting Bold Ruler's eight-length lead in half. Harmatz got no further response in the stretch, and Round Table finished last of three, beaten nearly 11 lengths. The result demonstrated conclusively what already had been demonstrated conclusively,

that Round Table was no match for top-class horses on a damp track.

On December 28 Round Table returned to competition at Santa Anita Park, where he took up 130 pounds and won the seven-furlong Malibu Sequet Stakes in a photo-finish with *Seaneen (114), with Mystic Eye (122) in third place. Shoemaker had hand-ridden him confidently, despite the narrow margin. The time was 1:22. The \$16,550 first money raised the winner's earnings for the season to \$600,258, a one-year figure exceeded only by Nashua (\$752,550) and Citation (\$709,470).

Round Table measured 15:2 at the withers, only a half-inch more than *Gallant Man. He was wiry and tough, with a constitution which enabled him to regain full strength quickly after a tiring series of races. Like most of *Princequillo's offspring, he was better as he grew older. He wore blinkers regularly, but his temperament presented no problem. He had all the competitive spirit a horseman could ask for, and more soundness than a horseman should ever expect. His best performances were confined to fast, firm tracks; on any other kind of going he ceased to be a first-class runner.

J. A. E.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	10	5	1	0	4	\$ 73,326
1957	3	22	15	1	3	3	600,258
		32	20	2	3	7	\$673,584

***ROYAL RASHER, ch. f., 1954, *Royal Charger-Rasher, by His Grace. Mrs. D. M. Walker, breeder (in Ireland); Fred Turner Jr., owner; Frank E. Childs, trainer. —**

In 1954 Fred Turner Jr., oilman and sportsman from Midland, Texas, purchased six Thoroughbreds abroad in a package deal through the Irish Bloodstock Agency. One of them was *Royal Rasher, then a weanling, which Turner estimated cost him \$12,000. Shipped to California and turned over to veteran trainer Frank Childs, *Royal Rasher

developed into one of the leading 3-year-old fillies of the West in 1957.

Turner, who has been in racing for many years, has an extensive knowledge of Thoroughbreds, enough to train his own horses, if he should ever care to do so, and in addition is considered an excellent judge of conformation and breeding.

An excellently conformed and pleasantly mannered filly of 16 hands and about 900 pounds, *Royal Rasher captured the La Centinela Stakes at Santa Anita Park and the Oaks at Del Mar. She also won a high-class allowance sprint at Hollywood Park, and was close up in the Santa Susana Stakes at Santa Anita, the Honeymoon Stakes at Hollywood Park, and the Oceanside Handicap at Del Mar. In 1957 *Royal Rasher earned \$43,275, and she probably could have gleaned more if she had been shipped around the country and spotted carefully.

*Royal Rasher took her first added money on January 9 in the six-furlong La Centinela for 3-year-old fillies which had never won a stakes. Running within striking distance of the leaders, she closed strongly to nip Tourbillonte in the last stride, winning in 1:11½ over a "good" track.

Her triumph in the one-mile Oaks in August at Del Mar was accomplished more easily. After Tourbillonte and Vyg had battled each other to mid-stretch, *Royal Rasher, carrying top weight of 118 pounds, took over to win going away by nearly three lengths in 1:36½.

In five starts at two *Royal Rasher won two races, placed twice, and earned \$10,675. At three she won three races in 15 starts, placed in six others, and earned \$43,275.

R. H.

RULERSHIP, br. c., 1955, by *Nasrullah-Not Afraid, by Count Fleet. Mrs. John D. Hertz, breeder and owner; M. E. Millerick, trainer. —

During the summer of 1957, two exceedingly fast 2-year-olds made their

debuts at Hollywood Park in the yellow-and-black silks of Mrs. John D. Hertz. They were Rulership and Fleet Nasrullah, and their looks, their breeding, and their evident class set them apart.

Rulership, a half-brother to Prince John (ARH 1955), was the second foal of Cosmic Bomb's half-sister Not Afraid. On the day he was weaned, his halter somehow became entangled in his mouth, breaking the lower front teeth. This detracted from his appearance, but not his speed; he won his first start in :57½ for five furlongs, which is fast even for Hollywood Park.

Word of Rulership's speed had preceded him to the post, with the result that the rangy brown colt was a 4-5 favorite. In the early running down the backstretch, he appeared a little hesitant and had to be driven, but before he reached the wire he was beginning to draw away, winning by half a length. After the race Mr. Hertz turned down an offer of \$150,000 for Rulership. When Fleet Nasrullah won a few days later, \$250,000 was offered for the pair.

In his second start Rulership again hung back timidly until the whip sent him ahead.

In the Westchester Stakes he ran in company with Fleet Nasrullah, which by this time was the better prospect. They ran one-two, with Fleet Nasrullah drawing away easily to win by eight lengths and Rulership holding second by 1½ lengths over Cowboy Book.

After the Westchester the team split up, Fleet Nasrullah staying at Hollywood for the Starlet Stakes and Rulership going to Chicago for the Arlington Futurity.

The Arlington Park race was the only bad one of Rulership's brief career. Off slowly, he was never a contender, and finished last in the field of 10.

After the Futurity it was discovered that Rulership had developed wind trouble. An operation was performed to correct the affliction and he was sent to Stoner Creek Stud, Paris, Ky. In four

racings Rulership won twice, was once second, and earned \$10,875.

***ST. AMOUR II, gr. c., 1953, Palestine-Lady Dushka, by *Blenheim II. Prince Aly Khan, breeder (in Ireland); Frank C. Rand Jr., owner; W. W. Stephens, trainer. ARH 1956. 117**

Trainer W. W. (Bill) Stephens said of *St. Amour II: "The way he closes it looks like he needs a distance race, but that's not true. He's got one run, and it's quick, sharp. He'll give it to you any time you ask." *St. Amour II (115) gave his first good performance of the year in the seven-furlong Roseben Handicap at Belmont Park on June 29, making up about 13 lengths and losing to War Piper (113) by a neck.

Shipped to Chicago, *St. Amour II uncorked his best performance in the Washington Park Handicap in which he carried 113 pounds and made up eight lengths in the last furlong to be beaten four lengths by Pucker Up (111). Find (122) and Swoon's Son (130) were second and third.

On November 11 at Jamaica he had 117 pounds and was beaten 2½ lengths by Tick Tock (122) in the six-furlong Sport Page Handicap. His rally began too late to threaten the winner, but he easily took second from Portersville (121).

On November 28 in Jamaica's six-furlong Pilgrim Handicap, *St. Amour II (117) caught Bunny's Babe (108) at the wire, won by a neck. Whitley (2, 110) was third, followed by Hastego (114), Portersville (121), Decimal (124).

*St. Amour II (122) closed his campaign in the six-furlong Coral Gables Handicap at Tropical Park on December 14. His late rush carried him to within a nose of Gray Phantom (119) at the finish, with Missile (3, 116) third, two lengths back. In three seasons *St. Amour II had won nine of 50 starts, placed 23 times, and earned \$98,005.

D.M.B. III

The most impressive 2-year-old filly on the West Coast in 1957 was Sally Lee, which won five of her eight races. She won the 5½-furlong Hollywood Lassie Stakes on July 5 by 1½ lengths over Camloc.



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SALLY LEE, ch. f., 1955, Anyoldtime-
°Pusilla, by Dastur. Covert Ranch
(George Covert), owner and breeder;
Charles Dickens, trainer. 110

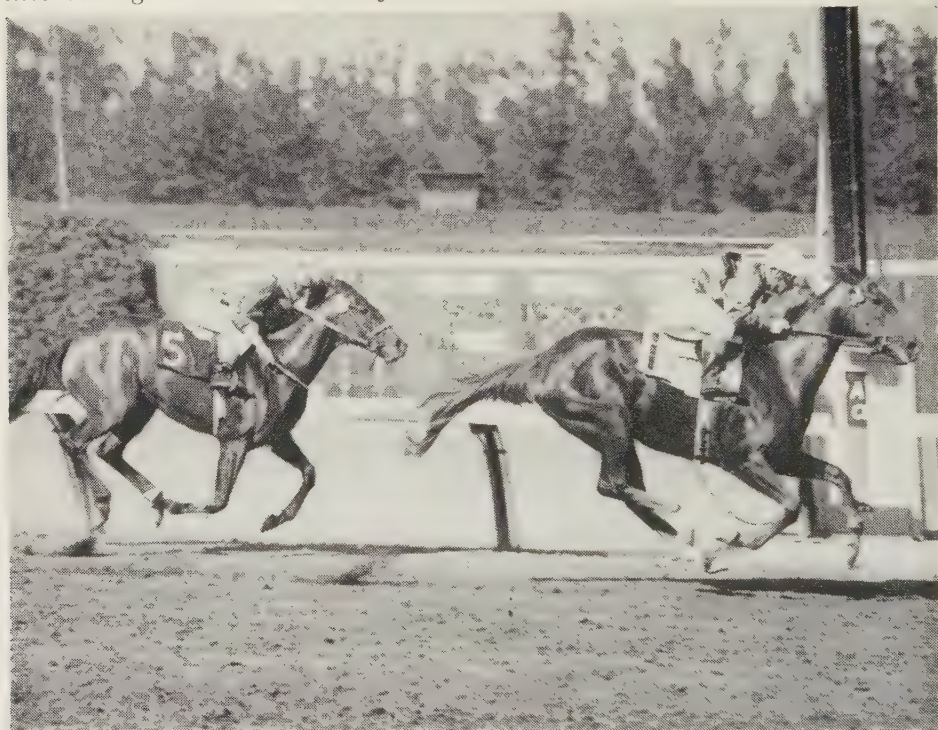
In February, 1954, George Covert, produce grower and Thoroughbred breeder, of Tracy, Calif., journeyed to Santa Anita Park in the hope of buying Anyoldtime, which that season had won three optional claimers. There was a feeling among horsemen that any race might be his last, and owner William M. Peavey, anxious to retire the son of Eight Thirty and °Never Again II in sound condition, accepted Covert's offer of \$4,000.

Anyoldtime made one more start in Peavey's silks, winning a race at Santa Anita on February 19, then was sent to his new home at Tracy. Peavey had

bred him the previous year, and in 1954 Anyoldtime had one foal, a gelding which never raced. In 1955 he had five foals, including the stakes winners Sally Lee and Pie Face, and he moved immediately into a place of prominence in California breeding circles. Pie Face, only 14:3, was retired early because of her size, but Sally Lee went on to become the undisputed 2-year-old filly champion in California.

The story is told that a few days before the 1951 Kentucky Derby—in which Anyoldtime finished seventh behind Count Turf in a field of 20 starters—the owner of Oil Capitol (a half-brother to Anyoldtime) offered Peavey \$75,000 and his own colt for Anyoldtime. Peavey turned down the bid, then saw his colt injured in the race. Anyoldtime never

Most consistent 2-year-old filly on the West Coast in 1957 was Sally Lee, shown here beating Camloc in the Hollywood Lassie Stakes.



Hollywood Park

was sound again. In the next three years he raced a total of eight times, concluding his five-year-old career with six victories from a total of 19 starts and with earnings of \$23,000.

George Covert looks upon racing as a sport, and it his eternal hope to some day breed a classic winner. He specializes in growing and shipping carload lots of vegetables, mainly tomatoes, and he also raises some beef cattle. His ranch is located about 60 miles inland from San Francisco, between Tracy and Modesto.

For two years he accepted a few outside mares to visit Anyoldtime at no charge, but after the advent of Sally Lee, Covert had so many inquiries that he decided to stand the horse at a fee of \$2,500 and to accept only a half-dozen outside seasons. These services were taken in a hurry.

As a rule, the Coverts do not favor naming horses after friends, but the policy was broken in the case of Sally Lee. When certificates for the 1955 crop were returned by The Jockey Club, the filly by Anyoldtime—^{*}Pusilla was the only one whose name had not been approved. Mrs. Winnifred Covert tried to name her after a good friend in Stockton; but this name, too, had been taken, so Mrs. Covert's next choice was the name of her friend's elder daughter—Sally Lee Andrews.

As a weanling, Sally Lee had little more than a friendly, gentle disposition to recommend her, and as late as February of her 2-year-old year there was no inkling that she would be anything but an ordinary race mare. Then, rather suddenly, she got the idea of what was expected of her.

Sally stood 15:1 and weighed about

800 pounds when she made her debut in April in a \$10,000 claiming event at Bay Meadows. In a contending position from the start, she took command just inside the final furlong to win easily by four lengths in 1:00 for five furlongs. The competition was a little keener in her next start, but the result was the same. She took charge after going a few strides, then drew away with ease in the stretch to win galloping in :59.

Moving to Hollywood Park, Sally Lee was put into the Junior League Stakes. Her first visit to the strange amphitheater-like paddock, with its many distractions, upset her so much that she was wringing wet and in no condition for the race. Sent to the post favored, Sally Lee showed only a flash of early speed, then dropped out of contention and finished fifth, beaten seven lengths by Kerr Stable's Glorious Nymph.

Sally Lee was thoroughly schooled in the paddock by trainer Charles Dickens, and she was ready for her best race when she came out for the Nursery Stakes. Many of the same fillies which had beaten her in the Junior League were left down the track as Sally Lee, never worse than third, took command in the last sixteenth and drew out quickly to win by more than two lengths. Her time for the 5½ furlongs was 1:04%.

For the 5½-furlong Hollywood Lassie, players narrowed down the field to Glorious Nymph and Sally Lee. Glorious Nymph had won the Cinderella and Junior League, and off this record she ruled a slight favorite. Pie Face, lending her stablemate an able assist, streaked out of the gate and dashed into a five-length lead rounding the turn. Sally Lee, meanwhile was not too far back. She moved into third place before leaving the backstretch and, finishing strongly, caught Pie Face and Camloc in the last sixteenth to win by more than a length. Glorious Nymph was more than five lengths away in fourth place as Sally Lee reached the wire in 1:04%.

The Debutante Stakes at Del Mar was Sally Lee's finest race of the year. Given

a seven-week vacation after her triumph in the Lassie, Sally Lee was fit, fresh, and faster than ever, and she won by three lengths in 1:10%.

Twelve started in the Debutante, but it was never much more than a two-horse race. Mrs. E. B., a fast Olympia filly, dashed out of the gate on top, going the first quarter in :22% and around the turn in :45%. Sally Lee kept the pressure on. She was a length and a half away down the backstretch and around the turn, and at the three-sixteenths-pole she moved within half a length of the lead.

Running easily in the middle of the track, Sally Lee threw down her challenge at the head of Del Mar's short stretch, and she drew away with authority in the last furlong.

With such easy conquests behind her Sally Lee was shipped East for the Gardenia Stakes, but she failed completely in two starts at Garden State Park. In a mile conditioner for the Gardenia she finished sixth, beaten nearly three lengths by Idun, and in the Gardenia she was tenth, whipped 13 lengths by Idun.

The Coverts never offered an alibi, but the fact is that in the Gardenia Sally Lee suffered a bad cut on her left hind leg, from just below the hock to the fetlock joint, as she came out of the gate. She lost a lot of blood during and after the race. The tendon, fortunately, was not cut, although the sheath was. An infection set in, and it was necessary to give her a blood transfusion.

After convalescing in New Jersey, Sally Lee was returned to Santa Anita. She had won five of her eight races and had earned \$61,300.

R. H.

*SEANEEN, ch. c., 1954, *Royal Charger-Tir an Oir, by Tehran. Irish National Stud Co., breeder (in Ireland); N. S. McCarthy, owner; W. B. Finnegan, trainer. 109

*Seaneen, purchased privately from the Irish National Stud by N. S. McCarthy, Los Angeles attorney, won one

of seven starts at two, but was one of the more consistent 3-year-olds on the Pacific Coast in 1957. Not only did he win seven overnight races, but he was second in the San Vicente Handicap and third in the Cinema Handicap and the Del Mar Derby. He then came out in the seven-furlong Malibu Sequet Stakes at Santa Anita Park on December 28. Carrying 114 pounds, he was fourth in the early running but moved up boldly approaching the stretch and was only a half-length back at the eighth-pole. He fought it out with Round Table (130) to the wire, losing the decision by a head. The time was 1:22. Mystic Eye (122) was third, 3¼ lengths farther back, with others in the field of eight including The Searcher (114), Joe Price (122) and Playtown (114).

G. E. W.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	7	1	1	1	4	\$ 4,425
1957	3	18	7	3	2	6	43,700
		25	8	4	3	10	\$48,125

SEA O ERIN, b. h., 1951, *Shannon II—°Chantress, by Hyperion. Mildred W. Woolvine, breeder; Hasty House Farms (Mr. and Mrs. Allie E. Reuben), owner; Harry Trotsek, trainer. ARH 1956.

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Foaled April 27, 1951, at Miss Mildred Woolvine's White Oaks Farm, Lexington, Sea O Erin was sold privately as a weanling to Mr. and Mrs. Allie Reuben's Hasty House Farms. He was best at sprints up to nine furlongs, and trainer Harry Trotsek was especially competent at spotting him in races where he could do the most good. In five campaigns Sea O Erin never failed to win at least one stakes race. He was a middle-sized horse of much refinement, of good class and limited weight-carrying capacity.

Sea O Erin won one race in 1957—the six-furlong Myrtlewood Handicap, run over a sloppy track at Arlington Park on June 22. He was second in four other stakes, never beaten more than three-

quarters of a length. The speedy Bandit beat him three-quarters of a length in the six-furlong Phoenix Handicap, Star Rover took his measure by a half-length in the seven-furlong Ben Ali Handicap, Swoon's Son beat him a half-length in the seven-furlong Churchill Downs Handicap and again by a nose in the one-mile Citation Handicap. In these races he carried 114 to 119 pounds, and in each he made the pace or was near the front all the way. His race in the Myrtlewood was such a performance; under 118 pounds, he went to the front at the start and defeated Besomer (113) by 1½ lengths. Good Gesture (113) was third.

After an extremely poor showing behind Swoon's Son in the Equipoise Mile Handicap, Sea O Erin was taken out of training and sent to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Reineman's Crown Crest Farm, Lexington, where he was to begin stud service in 1958.

J. A.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1953	2	11	3	1	0	7	\$ 22,775
1954	3	21	4	3	4	10	63,227
1955	4	23	6	2	2	13	172,567
1956	5	18	5	2	4	7	124,680
1957	6	12	1	4	0	7	24,010
		85	19	12	10	44	\$407,259

SEARCHING, b. m., 1952, War Admiral—Big Hurry, by Black Toney. Ogden Phipps, breeder; Mrs. E. D. Jacobs, owner; Hirsch Jacobs, trainer. ARH 1956.

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Searching had the least productive of three seasons she had run for Mrs. Ethel D. Jacobs, but it was enough to move her earnings almost to the quarter-million mark. Rushing into competition with a race on New Year's afternoon, the lightly built daughter of War Admiral did not call it a campaign until the afternoon of November 28, when in the dim light of late afternoon at Pimlico, she won the Gallorette Stakes for the second time in three years.

The Gallorette finished a long season

Searching carried top weight of 124 pounds in the seven-furlong Distaff Handicap and beat Fanciful Miss (light blinkers) a length. Plotter (9) finished third.



Bert and Richard Morgan

for the hard-running mare, but the months between her first and last starts had not been entirely filled with racing. After her first 1957 start Searching was given a five-month rest at the Jacobs farm in Maryland, and she was sidelined again for a month after she was cut down in Belmont's seven-furlong Distaff Handicap on July 20.

The injury in the Distaff, however, had not prevented her from winning. The injury, a deep cut just below the fetlock of her near hind leg, occurred at the quarter-pole, where the mare had to fight her way through a group of horses.

Searching (124) was placed at the top of the weights for the \$20,000 Distaff, even though she had run only once since her five-month rest, winning a six-furlong overnight handicap. She ac-

cepted the impost, and her name went in the entries against a field of 15 other members of her sex. Three fillies declined overnight, and Searching was in post No. 10, with only three others outside her.

Conn McCreary dropped her off the pace at the outset and headed for the rail, dashing through billowing clouds of dust thrown up by the leaders. Searching began her move on the turn, but at the head of the stretch, while she was under a full head of steam, trouble developed. Nine horses were bunched inside of five lengths. The only way to win was through the middle. McCreary threaded his way through the field, and inside of a furlong he had clear sailing at Plotter (119) and Fanciful Miss (111). Searching caught them in the final furlong. But in plunging be-

tween Little Pache (120) and the tiring Venomous (122), she had received an injury which could have been the end of a career if it had been an inch in either direction. Searching was out until the Saratoga meeting.

In her return to the races she was the only mare against 14 males in the seven-furlong American Legion Handicap. The upstate public must have remembered her from 1956, for she and her stablemate Joe Jones were the choice. Searching (116) drew an outside post again, but this time she finished sixth, six lengths back of Ricci Tavi (122). Behind her were Career Boy (124), Reneged (122), and Joe Jones (123).

Handicapper Kilroe still had Searching at the top of the weights for the nine-furlong Diana Handicap, and Hirsch Jacobs put her in the race under 125 pounds. Searching might have scaled 950 pounds after a year in a clover field, but in racing condition she was a bit skinny. At the first turn her saddle slipped forward, and for the last six furlongs it was all Ted Atkinson could do to hang on.

With restraint impossible, Searching went to the lead and turned a mile in 1:39% on the deep Saratoga strip, setting it up for Pardala (111), which had been coasting along in fourth place. Even when Pardala had scampered to the lead, Searching came on again, and the margin at the finish was just a head. Rare Treat (118) and Plotter (121) were third and fourth.

Of Searching's remaining eight races, only two were not of high caliber, and the best was her victory in the Gallorette. Searching (126) was beaten a head by Plotter (120) in the Vagrancy Handicap at Belmont; she was beaten 3½ lengths by Tick Tock (114) and Reneged (124) while under 113 in the Sysonby Handicap; she made up 12 lengths in the six-furlong Interborough Handicap under 124 to be a bit more than a length shy of Venomous (119);

and Bornastar and Pucker Up were ahead of her in Keeneland's Spinster.

Carrying less than 120 pounds against her own sex for the only time in the year, Searching (117) led the way in the Gallorette, with fractions of :48% and 1:12%. She had enough left to turn back the challenges of Mlle. Dianne (111) and Snow White (113) for her second stakes win of the year. Time for the 1½ miles was 1:51%. P. O'B.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	13	0	1	6	6	\$ 3,350
1955	3	26	12	8	2	4	80,675
1956	4	21	5	3	4	8	111,705
1957	5	13	3	2	2	6	53,631
		73	20	14	14	24	\$249,361

SEQUOIA, b. f., 1955, °Princequillo-°The Squaw II, by °Sickle. Mrs. Audrey Emery, breeder; Claiborne Farm (A. B. Hancock Jr.), owner; Moody Jolley, trainer. 115

Sequoia could not have been blamed had she never shown a willingness to run after her first race. Banged around at the start in a field of 15 maiden fillies, she worked her way forward only to be pinched back in the final yards, winding up fourth. She had reached third place a furlong from the finish but the last bit of interference held her 1½ lengths back of the winning Court Planting. Sequoia was not alone with injured feelings: she had gone off a solid second choice to the winner on the basis of her breeding, her works, and her rider, one Edward Arcaro. But even if Sequoia did not live up to her reputation, it was an excellent start. All of those ahead of her had the benefit of racing experience.

Five days later, on June 11, Sequoia met one less filly and encountered much less trouble. Arcaro held back during the early running, and her late drive wore down the leaders. Mae East and Jenorsa were closest at the finish. Meeting non-winners of races other than

maiden or claiming a few weeks later, Sequoia again exhibited good speed, this time running in front all the way, and beating Missoula by 1½ lengths.

Sequoia (113) met up with Poly Hi (119) in Belmont's 5½ furlong Astoria Stakes, and was no match for the quick Polynesian filly. She broke well, then steadily lost ground to finish fourth, beaten six lengths. In Saratoga's Schuylerville Stakes she was unplaced to Pocahontas.

For the six-furlong Spinaway Stakes Sequoia was the longest-priced of the nine fillies entered. But it was a muddy track that day, and there was no holding her. Moving up with a rush around the turn, she drew away from her field to score by two lengths in 1:12½. Armorial was closest at the finish, with Bridgework third. The Schuylerville winner was last. The winner's payoff was \$58.30.

Under 120 pounds, Sequoia went on to win another allowance race at Belmont, running six furlongs on the straightaway in 1:09½. Again she showed late speed to pull away from her field, which included Armorial (111) and Polamby (109).

In her last race of the year Sequoia was unplaced to Idun in the Gardenia Stakes, 1¼ miles over a muddy track at Garden State Park, dropping far behind the leaders after six furlongs. The poor performance could be attributed to a series of misadventures. A blacksmith, in replating her, had driven a nail into the quick, with the result that she had missed a workout and a race. Further, in pawing a deep hole in the sandy floor of her stall at Garden State Park, she had struck a rock and come off with a sore foot. As it turned out, she should not have run in the Gardenia, but it had cost \$5,000 to make her a supplementary entry, and the trainer took a chance.

The *Princequillo filly was a prominent candidate for the Coaching Club American Oaks. Her full sisters How and Cherokee Rose won the 1¼-mile classic. In the case of Cherokee Rose, the

C. C. A. Oaks was her only stakes win, but How also won the Kentucky Oaks and Ladies Handicap before going to stud and producing Pocahontas. Sequoia in 1957 won four of eight races and earned \$42,900.

P. O'B.

SHAN PAC, dk. b. c., 1953, *Shannon II—*Pacifica II, by Puro Habano. Leslie Combs II, breeder; T. A. Grissom, owner; V. R. Wright, trainer.
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Bred by Leslie Combs II, Shan Pac was sold to T. A. Grissom, Detroit automobile dealer, for \$5,000 at the 1955 Keeneland fall sales. His name was obtained by combining portions of the names of his Australian-sire and his Chilean dam. An average colt at two, Shan Pac was a good workman at three at distances up to 1¼ miles, although unable to handle the leaders of his division.

Second to Federal Hill, beaten 1½ lengths, in the 1¼-mile Louisiana Derby on March 9, Shan Pac was fourth in both the Florida Derby and Blue Grass Stakes, his next added-money races. He was beaten soundly in the Kentucky Derby and Chicagoan Stakes, then finished second in the 1¼-mile Ohio Derby, six lengths behind Manteau.

After the Ohio Derby, Shan Pac was rested for two months before the meeting at Detroit Race Course, where he was one of the busiest and most consistent horses on the grounds. He ran eight times in 62 days, winning four races and finishing second in two others. His victories included the 1¼-mile Wolverine Stakes, in which he beat Ezgo and Lady LaRue; the 1¼-mile Boots and Saddle Handicap, in which he easily turned back the older horses My Night Out and Invalidate; the six-furlong Sprint Handicap, in which he beat the older horses Mr. Fantastic, Olympia Blend, and six others; and a 1¼-mile race in which he set a new track record of 1:42½. In the big race of the Detroit

season, the Michigan Mile and One-Sixteenth, he was fourth to My Night Out.

Shan Pac raced 3 times after the Detroit meeting closed. He was unplaced twice at Churchill Downs and finished second to Tenacious in a six-furlong overnight handicap at the Fair Grounds on November 28.

D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	16	7	2	1	6	\$27,775
1957	3	22	8	5	1	8	70,181
		38	15	7	2	14	\$97,956

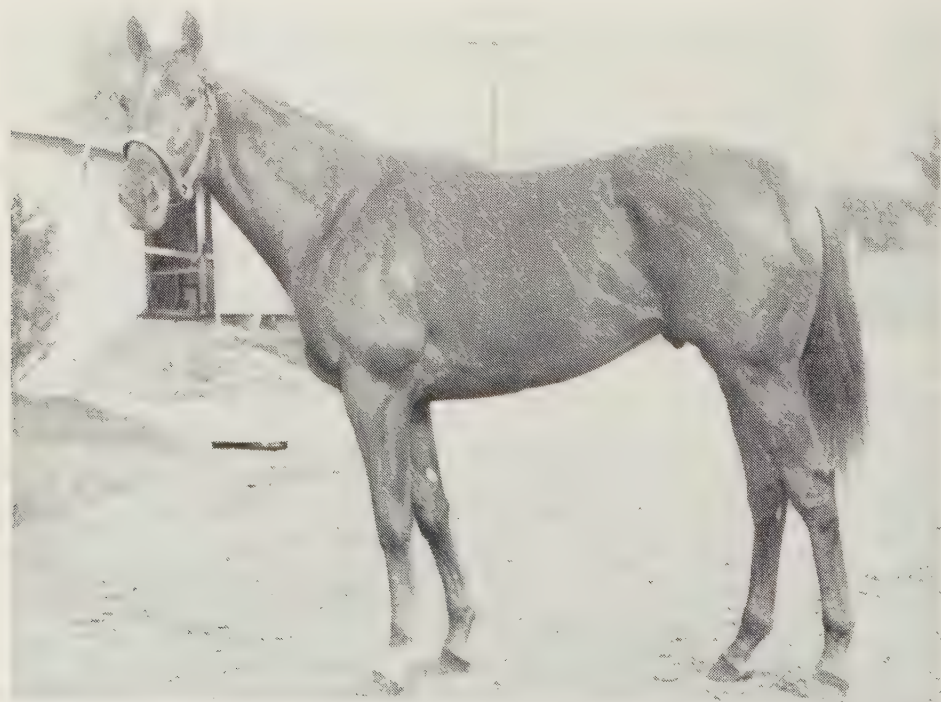
SILKY SULLIVAN, ch. c., 1955, *Sullivan-Lady N Silk, by *Ambrose Light. Dr. Riley H. Roberts and Mrs. Nell Frances Roberts, breeders; Thomas Ross and Philip Klipstein, owners; Reginald Cornell, trainer. 117

*Sullivan was a good six-furlong horse, and his sons and daughters had

the same fondness for short distances. His best 2-year-old of 1957, however, was Silky Sullivan, a come-from-behind colt which looked as if he would get better as distances increased.

Sold to Thomas Ross and Philip Klipstein at the 1956 Del Mar sales for \$10,700, Silky Sullivan won his first start, a five-furlong dash at Hollywood Park on May 17. Sixth at the eighth-pole, he got up in the last stride to win by a nose. Unplaced in one other race at Hollywood, he then was blistered for bucked shins and did not race again until the Golden Gate Fields meeting in November.

Silky Sullivan (116) ran for his first stakes in the second division of the six-furlong Berkeley Handicap on November 23. Eleven lengths off the pace after a half-mile, he made up ten lengths in the last quarter to finish third behind Strong Bay (122) and



Silky Sullivan won the Golden Gate Futurity and three other races in seven starts. Already his was a come-from-behind style.

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*Sullivan, ch., 1944	Panorama	Sir Cosmo
	My Aid	Happy Climax
SILKY SULLIVAN, ch. c., 1955		Knight of the Garter
		Flying Aid
Lady N Silk, ch., 1948	*Ambrose Light	Pharos
		*La Roseaie
	Foxhole	Chance Play
		Coffee Cup

Aliwar (119). He beat inferior horses going six furlongs on November 30, and on December 7, Silky Sullivan (116) ran a mile for the first time in the Golden Gate Futurity. Last in the ten-horse field for six furlongs, he passed all contenders in the stretch to win by three-quarters of a length, going away. Harcall (113) was second, followed by Furyvan (114), Philbrick (113), Beach City (112), Strong Bay (118), Swaps Kin (112), Aliwar (114), Fire Alarm (115), and Flashy Token (112).

Silky Sullivan made his last start of the year in the seven-furlong California Breeders' Trial Stakes at Santa Anita Park on December 28. Approximately 18 lengths behind Old Pueblo after five furlongs, he made up about 14 lengths in the last quarter to finish fourth. The record: seven starts, four wins, one third, \$21,750 earned. D. M. B. III

SILVER SHIP, b. c., 1955, I Will-Ghost Ship, by Bold Venture. L. M. Watts, breeder; Gordon F. Hall, owner; Gordon M. Huntley, trainer. 112

Second-highest weight assigned a Canadian-raced colt in the Experimental Free Handicap was 112 pounds for Silver Ship. Bought at the 1956 Keeneland fall sales for \$2,000, he raced well in the Dominion and in two invasions of the U. S.

Second and third in maiden races at Fort Erie, Silver Ship won three times in succession at Old Woodbine and Woodbine in May and June. He then shipped to Monmouth Park, where he was fourth, beaten 4½ lengths, to Bolero U., Jewel's Reward, and Jimmer in the

5½-furlong Tyro Stakes. Returned to Canada, he easily won the Victoria and Summer Stakes before going to Saratoga for the 5½-furlong Flash Stakes. Silver Ship was fairly close throughout, but made up no ground in the stretch, finishing fifth, 3½ lengths behind Wing Jet.

His last 1957 race was the seven-furlong Display Stakes at Old Woodbine on September 28. Carrying top weight of 125 pounds, he was third all the way. Drummond (113) won by 2¼ lengths, and Chalk Talk (119) beat Silver Ship by a head for second. The record: 11 starts, five wins, two seconds, two thirds, \$17,042. D. M. B. III

SIR ROBBY, br. c., 1955, Papa Redbird-Owner's Aboard, by *Sir Callahad III. William G. Clark, breeder; John S. Kroese, owner; S. J. Smith, trainer. 111

Bred by William G. Clark, of Midway, Ky., Sir Robby was out of a half-sister to the dam of the Coaching Club American Oaks winner Willamette. He was sold to Robert Robertson for \$3,000 at the 1956 Keeneland fall sales. Robertson raced him five times in claiming races, and lost him to John S. Kroese, at Monmouth Park on June 27, for \$7,000. Kroese raced the colt in claiming events through September, finally stepping him up to \$12,500, then allowed him to be graduated from the school of selling platers.

Sir Robby's first race against the better colts of his division was at Jamaica on October 31, when he faced Whitley, Jimmer, Wing Jet, Staysail, and Four Fives at six furlongs. He made up ground to finish third, beaten three lengths by Whitley and 1½ lengths by Jimmer. He won at Garden State Park on November 7, was third at Jamaica on November 16, and was shipped to Florida for a winter campaign.

First start at Tropical Park for Sir Robby was in the second division of the Alligator Handicap, 1¼ miles on December 28. Carrying 116 pounds, he

stayed close to the pace throughout, rallied in the stretch, and beat Warhead (117) by a half-length. Deadeye Dick (119) was third, 1½ lengths back. The record: 17 starts, six wins, one second, six thirds, \$27,995 earned. D. M. B. III

SIR RULER, b. c., 1955, *Nasrullah—My Emma, by *Isolater. Belair Stud (William Woodward Jr.), breeder; Claiborne Farm (A. B. Hancock Jr.), owner; Moody Jolley, trainer. 108

Sir Ruler, by *Nasrullah out of the good race mare My Emma (57 starts, 8 wins, \$39,695 in three seasons), was one of 16 of the late William Woodward Jr.'s Belair Stud weanlings bought in December, 1955, by Miss Mildred Woolwine and partners (Edward Potter Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Middendorf). The lot was resold at Keeneland in January, 1956, for a total of \$228,600, average \$14,287, and Sir Ruler topped the sale, going to Eddie Hayward, agent, for \$35,000. Racing for Claiborne Farm, which had raised him for Woodward, the colt in his first season won a bit more than half of his purchase price.

He opened his campaign promisingly enough, winning two of his first three races; but against some of the best of his contemporaries he was lacking, and his only stakes placing was a gift of the Arlington Park stewards. For the Arlington Park Futurity Sir Ruler was second choice to Fred W. Hooper's entry of Alhambra and Olymar. Alhambra won easily by 4½ lengths, but deep in the stretch Olymar had interfered with Sir Ruler, causing the *Nasrullah colt to lose all chance of getting one of the places. Although Alhambra already had crossed the finish line when the infraction occurred, stewards were bound by the state racing law to take down his and his stablemate's numbers. Leather Button, Rellim S. W., and Sir Ruler were advanced to the 1-2-3 places.

Sir Ruler tried the Hopeful and Cowdin Stakes later in the summer, but in neither event was he up to the task.

In his last race of the season, the Alligator Handicap at Tropical Park, he was unplaced to First Fair.

Sir Ruler's potential unquestionably was superior to his performances at two, when he had two victories and two thirds in seven starts and earned \$19,500.

J. A.

SIR WILLIAM, b. c., 1954, Rover-Jodot, by Peace Chance. Herb Armstrong, breeder; Mr. and Mrs. Herb Armstrong, owners; Cecil Jolly, trainer. 115

A prominent owner once observed that a race meeting was similar in many respects to a battle. "A general is bound to lose a percentage of his soldiers in any skirmish," he said, "and so it is with a race campaign; a percentage of horses will fall by the wayside with injuries."

Sir William fell early in the war, but not before winning a glorious battle.

His brightest moment came when he outlasted Swirling Abbey and Round Table in a fighting finish over a slow, tiring track for a head victory in the \$100,000-added Santa Anita Derby. But in the next start, in a six-furlong overnight purse at Bay Meadows, Sir William fractured sesamoid bones in both fore legs and hobbled off the battleground, never to return.

Sir William was fortunate in one respect. The state of Washington has developed some excellent horsemen, and Cecil Jolly, who came up the hard way in the sport, ranks as one of the best. Sir William was in his care from the first day he stepped on a race track.

The big colt was unlucky in that, as a suckling, he had been kicked by a mare which he had mistaken for his mother, and had lost all his upper front teeth. A rugged, generously proportioned horse, he possessed all other physical equipment to be a top performer in any company. He had a large stride, an easy way of going, and was at home over a distance of ground, though he came from a sprinting sire and a mare

Sir William (7), Swirling Abbey (8), and Round Table (1C) raced head-and-head from the top of the stretch to the finish of the 1½-mile Santa Anita Derby on March 2. The Washington-bred won by a head.



Santa Anita Park

which had never won a race. He was the only Washington-bred ever to win a \$100,000 stakes.

His breeders and owners, Mr. and Mrs. Herb Armstrong, of Harrington, Wash., never saw Sir William race. About 60 miles southwest of Spokane they maintain a wheat and cattle ranch known as Valley Farms, where they also keep a band of about eight broodmares and the War Admiral stallion Tavistock. Until his death in 1953 this was also the home of Rover, sire of Sir William.

Rover, a son of *Bull Dog, had won the last race of his career in a claiming event, but he sired two excellent horses in Johnie Mike and Sir William. In successive years these sons of Rover, one a sprinter and the other at his best over

a piece of ground, won the six-furlong Los Feliz Stakes at Santa Anita. Johnie Mike was never headed as he took the race with ease in 1956, and Sir William, aided by a good track, was up in the last stride to win in 1957.

The Los Feliz was Sir William's first start of the year, and he did not win again until the Santa Anita Derby. Although Jolly was aware that Sir William was better suited to the longer distances, he preferred to work up to them gradually. Sir William was a starter in three other sprints leading up to the 1½-mile Derby.

For the six-furlong San Miguel Stakes the track was fast and there was a lot of speed in the race. Sir William, although closing gamely in the stretch, finished fourth, beaten 2½ lengths by

Buford, Gold Cover, and Swirling Abbey.

Jolly then saddled him for the seven-furlong San Vicente Handicap, and Buford, leading all the way, held on again to win in 1:22, with Sir William fifth in the six-horse field. Although never too serious a threat, Sir William closed well along the rail and was beaten only a length and a quarter.

Sir William's next start was at $1\frac{1}{16}$ miles. This was the test Jolly had been waiting for, and he was so confident that Sir William could win that he talked Willie Shoemaker into accepting the mount. Jolly naturally hoped that Shoemaker would be so impressed by the free-running fellow that he would gladly ride him back in the Santa Anita Derby. Shoemaker won three of the last four races that afternoon, and the only horse which prevented him from sweeping the last half of the card was Sir William. The big colt was between horses much of the way, turning in what amounted to his only bad race of the season. He finished fourth, beaten $5\frac{1}{2}$ lengths by Golden One.

Shoemaker left Sir William for the $1\frac{1}{16}$ -mile San Felipe Handicap, Santa Anita's most important stakes leading up to the Derby. Off slowly, as usual, Sir William was badly outrun to the far turn, where he went to the outside and, finishing strongly, closed to within three-quarters of a length of Joe Price, to which he was giving three pounds. Shoemaker's choice, Blue Spruce, was third. The excellent race was just what Sir William needed to put him on edge for the Derby.

Thirteen started in the Santa Anita Derby, and trainer Bill Molter's four-horse entry, gifted with quality as well as quantity, was favored by a crowd of 54,379. Most of the support was for Round Table, which was making his first start in California; others in the entry were Gaelic Gold, *Irisher, and Joe Price. Trainer Charley Whittingham saddled a three-horse entry that consisted of Royal Heir, Blue Spruce, and Royal Academy.

The hope of the Great Northwest had another new rider, Henry Moreno, who was making his first bid for the Santa Anita Derby. Moreno had reason to believe that the auspices were favorable; the first time he rode in the Kentucky Derby he drew the mount on Dark Star and vanquished the mighty Native Dancer.

In the paddock Sir William's groom, Bill Peterson, told Moreno, "This colt is going to put you back on the map." Peterson had more than an ordinary rooting interest in Sir William. He had been with Jolly for five years, and was engaged to the trainer's pretty daughter. They hoped that, if Sir William won, they could make a honeymoon trip to Churchill Downs for the Kentucky Derby.

Buford, which had conquered Sir William twice in sprint stakes, tried to make the Derby another wire-to-wire parade. He went to the front at the start and opened a lead that swelled to three lengths at the half-mile-pole. Royal Academy, another sprinter, was second, and Round Table, trying to pick the best going out in the middle of the slow track, was third. Swirling Abbey, always in a threatening position, was fourth.

Royal Academy had enough leaving the backstretch, but Buford held on to the last quarter, where the more stout-hearted began closing in on him. One of them was Sir William. As Buford dropped back, Sir William went between him and Swirling Abbey, and the ground he saved almost certainly won the race for him.

Round Table, still racing wide, had taken the lead as the field headed into the stretch. Swirling Abbey, a length away, was closing the gap with each stride. Round Table's jockey, Johnny Longden, still searching for the better going, had chosen a path far beyond the middle of the track.

Sir William, on the rail, was in the deepest and slowest going, but he had saved lengths on the turn. He got his head in front of Round Table and Swirl-

ing Abbey with about three-sixteenths of a mile to go, but the deeper going hurt him, and Round Table and Swirling Abbey both came on again to head him a furlong from the wire.

But the race was not over. The rugged Washington-bred colt persisted, and in the last 40 yards he shoved his head in front and held on grimly. His time for the mile and a furlong was 1:54½ over a holding, tiring track.

Jolly confessed after the race that his main concern had been the track. "I felt he could handle the field," he said, "but I was worried about the gummy condition of the track."

Having earned his railroad ticket to Churchill Downs, Sir William shipped to Bay Meadows, where Jolly planned to polish off his training for the Kentucky Derby. On March 22 he was entered in a six-furlong sprint. Sir William was moving up strongly on the outside approaching the far turn, when he broke down and was eased. X-rays disclosed five breaks in one sesamoid, two in another. After a long rest, Sir William was able to get around alertly, and it was planned for him to make his first season at stud in 1958 at Ed Goemans' Curragh Stock Farm, in San Fernando Valley.

R. H.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	10	2	2	1	5	\$ 16,285
1957	3	7	2	1	0	4	115,050
	17	4	3	1	9		\$131,335

SKIPPER BILL, ch. h., 1950, Errard-Nipmenow, by *Bull Dog. John W. Galbreath, breeder; Circle M Farm (Mrs. Edward S. Moore), owner; Jack Long, trainer. ARH 1956. —

Skipper Bill did not have the style at seven in 1957 that he had shown at six, but the little Errard horse finished in the money in more than half of his starts. Most of his races were in allowance company, but he earned money in four stakes.

He won the 1½-mile Ohio Cham-

pionship at Beulah Park for the second time, beating Lagrin and Cardinal Sin; finished second to Nahodah in the Salvador Mile, eight lengths behind the winner; was third to Decathlon in the seven-furlong Longport Handicap, beaten four lengths; and was fourth to Decathlon in the six-furlong Princeton Handicap, beaten four lengths. He received three pounds from Nahodah and 17 and 20 pounds from Decathlon. Probably his best effort was in a six-furlong race at Atlantic City on September 2, when he beat the good sprinters Candlewood and Poll-O-Mine by 2¼ lengths in 1:09%.

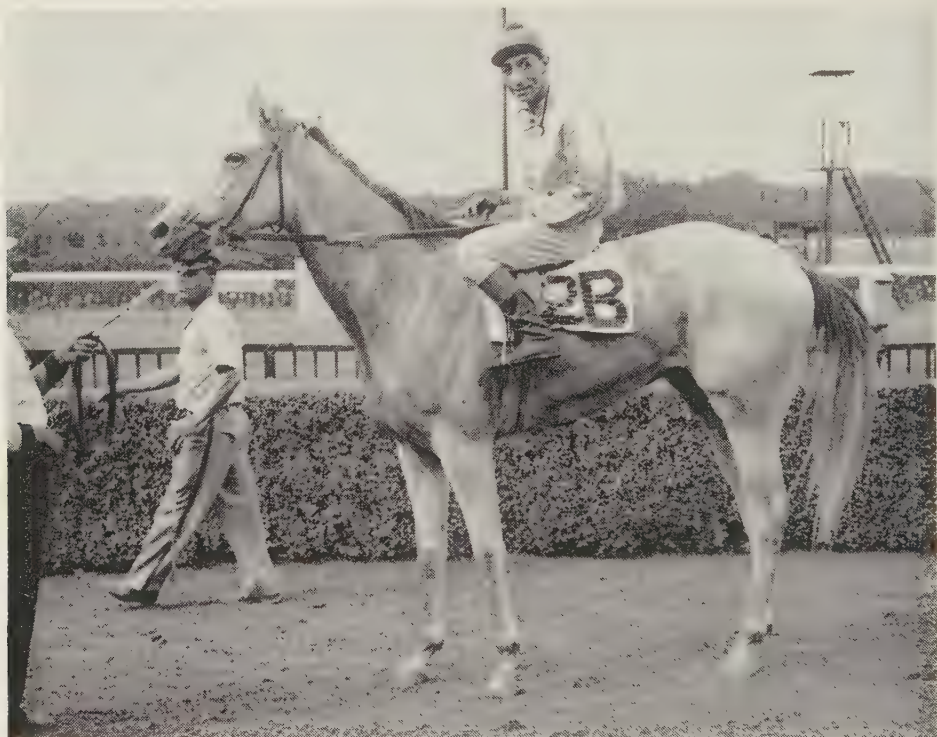
In November, Skipper Bill was retired to stud, and it was announced that he would stand as the property of John W. Galbreath, who bred him and raced him for five years, and Mrs. Edward S. Moore, who had purchased him privately late in 1956. D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1952	2	14	3	2	4	5	\$ 12,925
1953	3	15	3	5	3	4	33,300
1954	4	14	3	3	1	7	35,500
1955	5	18	6	2	3	7	50,975
1956	6	18	4	9	1	4	103,025
1957	7	19	3	3	4	9	26,695
		98	22	24	16	36	\$262,420

SNOW WHITE, ro. f., 1954, Counterpoint-White Lady, by *Mahmoud. C. V. Whitney, owner and breeder; Sylvester E. Veitch, trainer. ARH 1956. 113

Snow White, an extremely long-bodied, nearly white filly, was the third consecutive stakes-class foal of White Lady. Pyrenees, 1952, by *Goya II, was second in the Saratoga Special and Grand Union Hotel Stakes, third in the Hopeful Stakes before going berserk and sustaining injuries in the Garden State. Pet Child, 1953, by Revoked, was second in the Schuylerville Stakes. In Snow White's first season on the track she won the filly division of the National Stallion Stakes, was second in

Snow White, a half-sister to Pet Child and Pyrenees and granddaughter of the fine race mare Top Flight, was second to Here and There in the Alabama Stakes, third in three others. Eddie Arcaro is up.



Bert Morgan

the Schuylerville, and was given 107 pounds in the Experimental Free Handicap.

Making her 1957 reappearance at Jamaica May 16, Snow White took the lead from the gate, drifted wide into the stretch, and finished second to her stablemate Magic Forest.

Five days later Snow White again set the pace, opening up in the stretch to win by $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths from Jolie Deja and Floral Girl. Her time for six furlongs was 1:11 $\frac{1}{2}$, quite a bit faster than the 1:13 posted in her previous race. Snow White was unplaced to Bayou in the Acorn Stakes, but in her next race, a six-furlong overnight event, she beat Hearts Desire by six lengths, a performance which earned her the favorite's role for the seven-furlong Test Stakes.

Bayou was unplaced in the Test. Miss Blue Jay won by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths, and Snow White, gaining nearly two lengths in the last furlong, was beaten a head by Outer Space for second money. Six days later, on August 20, she led all the way to beat Gold Finery $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths at nine furlongs.

For the $1\frac{1}{4}$ -mile Alabama Stakes Miss Blue Jay was a narrow choice over the Whitney entry of Snow White and Magic Forest. The favorite led to the head of the stretch where she was swarmed upon. Snow White went wide for her run at the leaders, but she was shut off twice trying to get to the outside. Finally in striking position, she made a long move that carried her nearly to the lead, but by then she had nothing left to fight off the even stronger

rush of Here and There. The King Ranch filly, which died the next morning in a stable fire, had three lengths over Snow White. Time for the 1½ miles was a moderate 2:06%.

Returned to Belmont Park, Snow White was a good fourth to Bayou in the 1½-mile Gazelle Stakes. She then was sent against her elders in the 1½-mile Beldame Handicap.

Snow White (111) went off at the seemingly ridiculous price of 88-1 in the \$50,000 event, but the class of the older fillies and mares was such that there was little room in the percentage table for the Whitney filly. Pucker Up (125) was a solid 19-10 favorite and the Calumet entry of Beyond (115), Princess Turia (124), and Amoret (117) was 9-2. Plotter (119) set the pace, and Snow White fell far back in the field of 16. Moving up a notch at a time, Snow White got around most of her adversaries at the head of the stretch, and had the field not been so bulky she might have been closer. She finished fourth, about 1½ lengths behind Pucker Up. Plotter and Gay Life (104) were second and third.

The track was sloppy for the one-mile Maskette Handicap, and Snow White (112) never had a chance, finishing a dozen lengths behind Bayou (118).

Snow White (113) again went after older fillies and mares in the 1½-mile Ladies Handicap at Belmont on October 14. She got the lead as quickly as possible, and the change in strategy nearly paid off. She reached the straightaway with a length margin, but Rare Treat (118) and Gay Life (107) swept past her in the last sixteenth.

In the 1½-mile Firenze Handicap Snow White (113) finished nearly a half-dozen lengths behind Gay Life (108), Dotted Line (113), and Little Pache (111), which were fairly well bunched at the wire. Against less formidable company, Snow White won a six-furlong event at Jamaica on No-

vember 12, beating Poll-O-Mine by nearly three lengths, then again tried the older mares in Pimlico's Gallorette Handicap, nine furlongs, on November 28. She ran close to the pace all the way, but Searching (117) won by two lengths, and Mlle. Dianne (111) beat Snow White (113) a head for second place.

In two seasons of racing Snow White won six of 22 races, placed six times, and earned \$63,515. P. O'B.

SOCIAL CLIMBER, b. c., 1953, Your Host-Wisteria, by *Easton. Mrs. M. E. Person (Mrs. Richard Lunn), breeder; Llangollen Farm (Mrs. Lunn), owner; Charles Whittingham, trainer. ARH 1956. 120

Your Host's first and only crop of California-foals included the stakes winners Social Climber, Miss Todd, and Blen Host. Social Climber, a colt which ran with his head held low in a most aggressive manner, became the only strong stretch-runner of the group.

The year 1957 was only a week old when Social Climber, with 124 pounds up, drove from next-to-last at the head of the homestretch to beat good sprinters like Johnnie Mike (119) and Duc de Fer (122) going away by more than a length in 1:11 over a slow track.

It was a big race, and off it the fans made Social Climber (125) favorite for the Santa Catalina Handicap, in which he finished seventh behind Honeys Alibi (122). In the Santa Anita Maturity, he was fourth, whipped more than seven lengths by Spinney, and in the San Antonio Handicap he was third, beaten nearly eight lengths by Terrang. He had no luck in the Santa Anita and Santa Barbara Handicaps, but he more than made up for it at Hollywood Park.

A vacation brought him back to the races fresh and eager to go on opening day. In the six-furlong Hollywood Premiere, Social Climber (118) came out of ninth place, circled the field on the turn for home, and was a charging

Llangollen Farm's Social Climber, a son of Your Host, beat one of the best fields collected on the West Coast in 1957 in the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Californian Stakes.



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second to Find (123) at the wire, beaten less than a length.

The sprint was just what Social Climber needed to sharpen his speed for the \$100,000-added Californian Stakes. Porterhouse also carried the fuchsia-and-purple silks of Llangollen Farm in the Californian, and it was no secret that Mrs. M. E. (Liz) Lunn and trainer Charley Whittingham expected to win it with "Porky" rather than Social Climber.

A horse that does not like his races too close together, Porterhouse was starting for the third time in three weeks. After some bumping on the first turn, he dropped out of it, leaving the load on Social Climber's shoulders.

Duc de Fer and Miss Todd staged a lively battle for the early lead, followed by Find (119) and Round Table (3, 105). At the first turn Duc de Fer was in front, and at the half-mile-pole it was

Miss Todd (110). Round Table, then moved up to challenge, and he had the lead turning into the stretch. Social Climber had moved into contention at the far turn, and he passed Find and Terrang at the quarter-pole. In his determined, head-down manner, Social Climber drove down the middle of the track, catching Round Table a furlong from the wire and pulling away to win by a length and a half. His time was 1:40%, equaling the third-fastest mile and a sixteenth ever run over any track.

The race was Social Climber's last for the year. He developed a splint in his left fore leg, and was sent to Rancho Llangollen for a long let-up. R. H.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	5	1	3	0	1	\$ 4,325
1956	3	14	4	4	2	4	110,850
1957	4	8	2	1	1	4	98,700
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		27	7	8	3	9	\$213,875

SPEED ROUSER, b. h., 1952, **Beau Max-Alley**, by **Rolled Stocking**, **J. Howard Rouse**, breeder; **Sidney G. and Hannah Babbitz**, owners; **H. C. Hoffman**, trainer. —

Bred by J. Howard Rouse, who operates a farm of his own at Midway, Ky., and also manages the King Ranch farm at Lexington, Speed Rouser was sold privately as a yearling to Dr. Sidney G. Babbitz, of Milwaukee. He proved to be a durable, good-class runner.

At three Speed Rouser won the Great Lakes Stakes, the Midwest Handicap.

Speed Rouser was third to Full Flight in his first race of 1957, then won the six-furlong Pelleteri Handicap, 1½-mile Louisiana Handicap, and the 1½-mile Le Comte Handicap in his next three starts. His opposition was moderate on all three occasions, Ramrod and Full Flight being the best horses he beat. For the 1½-mile New Orleans Handicap, big race of the Fair Grounds season, Speed Rouser (122) proved unable to concede weight to Kingmaker (115) and finished third, 1½ lengths behind the winner. He ran in ten more stakes, all in the Chicago area, and his best showing there was on October 26, when he finished third to Rock Pilot and Point of Order in the one-mile Littletown Handicap at Sportsman's Park. D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	23	6	3	4	10	\$ 17,105
1955	3	24	8	3	2	11	74,895
1956	4	20	3	1	5	11	15,670
1957	5	28	7	3	5	13	65,050
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	95	24	10	16	45		\$172,720

SPINNEY, ch. g., 1953, **Cover Up-Mrs. Rabbit**, by **Milkman**, **Louis, G. D., and R. A. Rowan**, breeders; **Louis Rowan**, owner; **Reggie Cornell and H. A. Luro**, trainers. 114

Spinney began the 1957 season with a flourish, and ended it in the same

manner. At year's end the 16:1½ hand, 1,100-pound gelding had started 25 times and, although he won only three races, he had managed to arrange his victories and stakes placings when the blue chips were down. Spinney earned \$189,720, along with the reputation of being a hard-hitting horse when the mud was deep enough and the distances long enough.

Spinney's first victory of the year came in the tenth running of the \$100,000-added Maturity Stakes, run in the mud at Santa Anita Park. From start to finish, Spinney was never off the rail. Going by the stands the first time, he was bunched in the middle of the field of 12, and from then on he steadily improved his position. Coming off the far turn, with a quarter-mile to go, Spinney took command, but Beam Rider drew on almost even terms and, running strongly, looked like the winner. But in the last furlong, Beam Rider, which had been flown from Columbia, S. C., for this one race, began to weaken, and Spinney drew away to win by nearly two lengths in 2:04½ for 1¼ miles.

It was a popular triumph, especially since Spinney's 46-year-old owner and breeder, Lou Rowan, was born just a few furlongs away in Pasadena. Rowan had campaigned a modest stable at Santa Anita ever since the track opened in 1934, and he was serving his second term as president of the California Thoroughbred Breeders Association. Rowan's family has been in the real estate and insurance business in Los Angeles for 55 years.

As president of the breeders group, Rowan had to stand for much good-natured ribbing after the Maturity because he was unable to collect an extra 10 per cent in breeder awards because Spinney was foaled in Kentucky, where his dam, Mrs. Rabbit, had been sent to be mated to Prince Simon.

In the Santa Anita Handicap, Spinney finished third, beaten a length by Corn Husker and *Holandes II, and in the San Juan Capistrano Handicap, at a

mile and about six furlongs over Santa Anita's colorful hillside-infield grass course. Corn Husker was forced to run the greatest race of his career to beat Spinney a head. Spinney was reaching out for the wire when Corn Husker, in one last desperate charge, shoved his nose to the front in the last stride.

Spinney ran at six tracks in the next eight months before winning again. This triumph came in the \$50,000-added Canadian Championship Stakes at Woodbine, where the track was slow and the distance—1½ miles—just right for Spinney. He beat Grand Canyon by a length, with Find third. He then went on to Pimlico, where he closed out the year with a five-length triumph over Golden Sun in the 1½-mile Exterminator Handicap.

The campaign had been a tough one for Spinney, and, instead of being returned to California for another hard season, he was sent to Horatio Luro's farm in Georgia for an extended vacation. The plan was to race him in the East in the spring of 1958, and the hope was that he would find frequent mud, deep tracks, and long races.

R. H.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	2	0	0	0	2	—
1956	3	22	4	5	2	11	\$ 21,275
1957	4	25	3	5	4	13	189,720
	49	7	10	6	26		\$210,995

STAR ROVER, gr. h., 1952, *Flushing II—Miss Moonbeam, by *Pharamond II. Irving Gushen, breeder; Mrs. Irving Gushen, owner; Eddie Anspach, trainer.

Star Rover's best year was his 3-year-old season in 1955, but twice early in 1957 he showed some of his old speed, winning the Ben Ali Handicap and finishing second in the Lincoln Special Handicap. On eight other occasions, when he faced top-class opposition, he was well beaten.

Bred by Irving Gushen, president of

the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association, and raced by Mrs. Gushen, Star Rover won one of three starts as a 2-year-old before bucked shins put him out of action. At three he won the Select, Lamplighter, Longport, and Rockingham Park Invitational Handicaps and was second in the Jerome Handicap. He received 114 pounds in the Blood-Horse Handicap, with only 12 other 3-year-olds above him.

In 1956 Star Rover was second in the Rumson Handicap and third in the Naragansett Special. He began his 1957 campaign at Keeneland, where he was unplaced to the 3-year-old Bandit in the Phoenix Handicap. A week later in the Ben Ali Handicap, seven furlongs and 184 feet, Star Rover (118) caught Sea O Erin (118) in the stretch and won by a half-length. Tommy's Jet was third, followed by Bernburgoo (113), Bandit (113), and Grandpaw (108).

Star Rover (112) set most of the pace in the 1¼-mile Lincoln Special Handicap, then gave way in the last furlong to Paper Tiger (114), which won by 1¼ lengths. Rockcastle (111) was third, Switch On (120) fourth.

The four-year record: 19 victories in 50 races, earnings of \$150,304.

D. M. B. III

STAYSAIL, ch. c., 1955, *Half Crown—Sea Snack, by Hard Tack. Christiana Stables (Harry A. Lunger), breeder and owner; H. S. Clark, trainer. 116

Best of several good racers bred by Harry A. Lunger from the 1939 Matron Stakes winner Miss Ferdinand was Sea Snack, which earned \$127,400 and won 13 of 38 starts, including the Rancocas, Modesty, and Princess Doreen Stakes and the Rennert, Mermaid, Janney, Ritchie, Carroll, and Capitol Handicaps. Sea Snack's third foal was the good colt Ricci Tavi, which had earned \$155,700 through 1957. Her fifth was Staysail, a *Half Crown colt which showed good promise in his first season.

Staysail did not try a stakes until the Remsen on November 5, when he finished sixth to Misty Flight, beaten 11 lengths. He closed the season with a creditable third in the 1½-mile Pimlico Futurity. Fourth for five furlongs, Staysail made a run at Jewel's Reward entering the stretch, and he got within a half-length of the 2-year-old champion at the quarter-pole. Jewel's Reward repulsed the challenge, and Staysail gave way slightly, Nala taking second place from him in the last furlong. Beaten three lengths, he finished a similar distance in front of the favored Misty Flight. The record: ten starts, two wins, one second, one third, \$19,955 earned.

D. M. B. III

STRONG BAY, b. g., 1955, Admiral Lea-Green Apples, by Caruso. Casitas Ranch Company (Walter Hoffman Jr.), breeder; M. H. Britt, owner; Ray Priddy, trainer. 112

The good sprinter Strong Bay was foaled February 4, 1955, at Walter Hoffman Jr.'s Rancho Casitas, Ventura, Calif., which lately has been taken over as a flood-control and irrigation project. Mr. Hoffman died late in 1955 and his large Thoroughbred holdings were dispersed privately, Strong Bay going to M. H. Britt, son of W. E. (Buck) Britt, of New Mexico.

Strong Bay was unplaced in his first two races at Santa Anita Park, the second time for a \$10,000 claiming price. At Hollywood Park on May 22 he easily won a \$7,500 claiming race. He was out of action in June and July, and on August 7 he went postward as fifth choice in the six-furlong Graduation Stakes at Del Mar. Titanium (119) set the pace, with favored Disdainful (122) never more than a half-length behind. Strong Bay (116) had speed from the start but was forced to race on the outside all the way. Put to pressure entering the stretch, Strong Bay got up inside the sixteenth-pole, beating Ti-

tanium three-quarters of a length. The time on a fast track was 1:10%. Circle Lea (122) edged Disdainful for third.

In the Del Mar Futurity on September 7, Strong Bay turned in an even effort to finish third to Old Pueblo (119), beaten 4¾ lengths. Disdainful (116) was second. The six furlongs were run in 1:09.

Strong Bay's next start was in the second division of the Berkeley Handicap at Golden Gate Fields November 23, and he was asked to give from three to eleven pounds to six others. Aliwar (119) set the pace until Strong Bay (122) caught him deep in the stretch. Strong Bay won by a neck, with Silky Sullivan (116) coming on fast for third. Time for the six furlongs on a fast track was 1:09¾, two-fifths of a second faster than Fire Alarm's time in the first division.

Strong Bay's last 1957 start was in the seven-furlong California Breeders' Trial Stakes at Santa Anita December 28. He was third to Old Pueblo, beaten 2¾ lengths.

He won three of nine races, was third three times, and earned \$27,350.

G. E. W.

STRONG RULER, br. c., 1955, Olympia-Heavenly Blue, by Blue Larkspur. Danada Farm (Mr. and Mrs. Dan Rice), breeder; Mrs. Ada L. Rice, owner; J. P. Conway, trainer. 118

Strong Ruler was the only horse to finish ahead of Old Pueblo in 1957, but the victory was taken away from him for crowding early in the stretch. He won two other races, however, and was third to Jewel's Reward and Alhambra in the Washington Park Futurity on August 24, his last race of the year. Strong Ruler had enough early speed to stay close to a crisp pace, and in each race he was improving his position in the late stages.

Trainer Jim Conway saddled Strong Ruler for his first start at Hollywood Park on June 25, and the Olympia colt,

Stumbling Block had the quick speed of her dam, Balking, but she got to the post for only four races before she was forced out of training.



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after running off the pace, won going away by $3\frac{1}{4}$ lengths. In his next race, on July 13, he won by half a length over Beau Madison, going the $5\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs in 1:04%.

Strong Ruler's disqualification in the Starlet Stakes was especially difficult for his stable to accept because the colt that day obviously was the best horse on the track. The public liked Old Pueblo and Fleet Nasrullah, both of which had been touted as the fleetest in the West. Johnny Longden broke Fleet Nasrullah so quickly that the colt seemed to leap into the air. Anticipating that Old Pueblo would try to out-race him all the way, Longden hurried his mount through a first quarter in a killing :21%. The colt at his heels, however, was Strong Ruler; Old Pueblo was well off the pace, with Eddie Arcaro experiencing difficulty getting him into stride.

With a quarter-mile to go, it was clear that Longden had killed off his own

horse, not the challenger. Mel Peterson cracked Strong Ruler several times with his whip, and at the top of the stretch Strong Ruler drew even. At the eighth-pole Peterson, drawing ahead, popped his colt twice more, and Strong Ruler moved over in front of the tiring Fleet Nasrullah. Longden stood in the irons, looking frantic, and pulled his colt across Strong Ruler's heels. Strong Ruler went on to finish a neck in front of the fast-closing Old Pueblo, but stewards disqualified the winner and placed him second.

Strong Ruler was sent to Chicago, and on August 17, in a six-furlong conditioner for the Washington Park Futurity, he lost by a nose to Terra Firma, which had a three-pound advantage in the allowances. In the Futurity he ran about five lengths off the pace to the eighth-pole, then closed to within $1\frac{1}{4}$ lengths of Jewel's Reward. Alhambra was second, a half-length in front of Strong Ruler.

The record: two victories in five starts, one second, two thirds, and earnings of \$32,060.

J. A.

STUMBLING BLOCK, blk. f., 1955, Stone Age-Balking, by Balko. Alfred G. Vanderbilt, breeder and owner; W. C. Winfrey, trainer. —

Two of the better horses to carry the cerise and white-diamond silks of Alfred Vanderbilt were Stone Age and Balking, parents of Stumbling Block, a "nice type," with good hind quarters and not too much flesh. She stood 15:3, and weighed nearly 1,000 pounds.

In four starts during the spring-summer meeting at Hollywood Park, Stumbling Block was never out of the money. Although she did not win a stakes, she finished second to Glorious Nymph in the Cinderella, and third behind Sally Lee and Cymbidium in the

Nursery. Her maiden victory came in her second start, in which she outgamed Peachywillow at five furlongs in :59.

After the Nursery, Stumbling Block bucked her shins. Winfrey had her blistered, then put her away to await the winter season at Santa Anita. She earned \$10,750 with one victory and three placings in four starts.

R. H.

SUMMER TAN, b. h., 1952, *Heliopolis-Miss Zibby, by Omaha. Mrs. John W. Galbreath, breeder and owner; Sherrill Ward, trainer. ARH 1954-56. 127

Summer Tan was one of the best handicap horses in America at the close of the 1956 season, and it appeared he might head the class after his first two races in 1957. His ankles were unsound after his third start, however, and he



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Summer Tan first had trouble with his ankles in 1955, and it was a recurrence of this unsoundness which forced his retirement in the summer of 1957. The Widener Handicap was the last race of his distinguished career.

did not race again. In August it was announced that he would enter the stud in 1958 at Darby Dan Farm.

Carrying 126 pounds in his first race of the year, a seven-furlong event at Hialeah Park on February 1, he made up four lengths in the last quarter to beat I Appeal (112) by two lengths in 1:22%, three-fifths of a second slower than the track record. Royal Briar (111) was third, Nance's Lad (126) fourth.

Only four horses were entered in the 1½-mile McLennan Handicap eight days later, but 25,190 persons packed Hialeah Park to witness the expected duel between Summer Tan (124) and Bardstown (128). The Calumet gelding set the pace with Summer Tan at his throat for seven furlongs. Dave Erb called on Summer Tan in the stretch, and he won by three lengths. Switch On (119) was third, Mr. First (105) fourth.

Bardstown (126) turned the tables two weeks later in the 1¼-mile Widener Handicap, leading throughout. Summer Tan (124), which got to within a half-length of the leader on the far turn, faltered badly in the stretch and finished fourth, six lengths behind the winner. The ankle trouble, first developed in 1955, had returned. Several times in the next six months it appeared that the horse was coming up to a race, but he never got to the post again. He was shipped from Saratoga to the farm in August.

D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	11	5	4	1	1	\$230,421
1955	3	3	1	1	1	0	36,400
1956	4	11	3	7	0	1	223,800
1957	5	3	2	0	0	1	52,175
		28	11	12	2	3	\$542,796

SWEET MANDY, ch. f., 1955, by Prince Quest-Magnolia, by He Did or Eight Thirty. Jacob Sher, breeder and owner; Harold Young, trainer. —

It took four years of racing and 37 starts for Magnolia to win three races,

but her daughter, Sweet Mandy, accomplished the same number of wins in her first seven starts. Sweet Mandy also exceeded her dam's total earnings, winning the bulk of her money in Atlantic City's Mermaid Stakes.

Assuming the lead at the break, Sweet Mandy was hustled the entire six furlongs of the Mermaid by jockey Bill Hartack and came under the wire nearly two lengths ahead of her competition. Closest to Sweet Mandy (113) at the end of the 1:12% trip over a sloppy racing strip were Kapitor (120) and Dance Card (117) third.

Sweet Mandy tried two more stakes before the year was out and in both events held a long early lead and tired. In the seven-furlong Astarita Stakes she went from first on the turn to tenth at the finish, and there was a similar slow-down in the Selima at Pimlico.

At sprinting distances Sweet Mandy showed to her best advantage. In her first start she rippled down the Widener straightaway in :58%. The record: ten starts, three wins, three thirds, earnings of \$18,231.

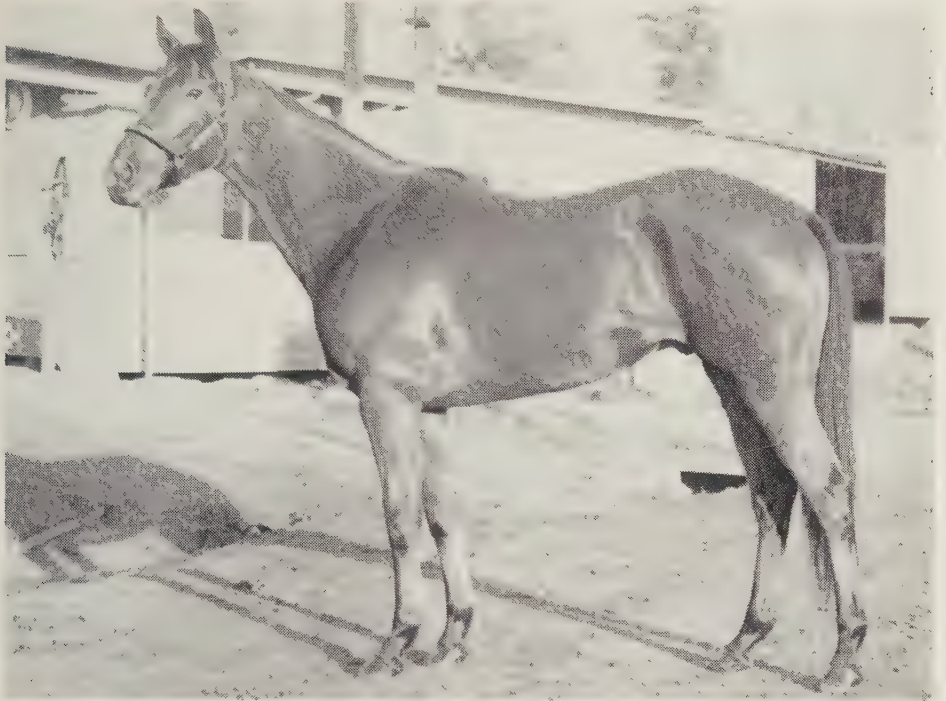
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SWIRLING ABBEY, b.g., 1954, *King's Abbey—Many Waters, by Johnstown. W. W. Naylor, breeder; Tom Ross and Philip Klipstein, owners; R. Cornell, trainer. ARH 1956. 115

A small blanket would have covered the first three finishers in the 1957 Santa Anita Derby. Sir William was the victor, and Round Table was third. Splitting them at the wire was Swirling Abbey, one of the better 3-year-olds to race in California during the year. Although he won only one race in half a dozen starts, Swirling Abbey was in the money five times before foot and leg trouble forced him to the sidelines in April.

In every race he ran during the year Swirling Abbey, which his owners had bought for \$3,000 at the 1955 Del Mar sales, either had the highest weight or shared the honor. In his first race of

Swirling Abbey was between Sir William and Round Table in the photo-finish for the Santa Anita Derby. Leg trouble limited his racing.



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the season he was nosed out in the six-furlong San Miguel Stakes by Buford, to which he was conceding seven pounds, and Gold Cover, to which he was giving ten. In his next outing Swirling Abbey (124) was defeated by Royal Academy (117). In the San Felipe Handicap, Swirling Abbey (123) raced in second place to mid-stretch, then weakened and finished fifth behind Joe Price (115).

The Santa Anita Derby was Swirling Abbey's big race of the year, and everyone associated with the stable remained convinced that he would have won except for the fact that jockey Johnny Longden, riding Round Table, carried him wide turning into the stretch. Longden's excuse was that he was looking for the better going on a slow track. At any rate, Round Table was taken far beyond the middle of the track. Swirling Abbey, trying to get around him, was carried extremely wide before his rider

eased back slightly, permitted Round Table to go on, then cut back to the middle of the track.

Sir William, meanwhile, had saved several lengths on the turn for home, and when the three horses squared away at the top of the stretch, Round Table had the driest part of the track, but had lost the most ground; Swirling Abbey, in the middle, had lost nearly as much ground, and was running over a soggy portion of the track; Sir William, on the rail, faced the worst footing.

Sir William's rush on the turn for home had carried him into the lead, but with about a furlong to go he was passed by both Round Table and Swirling Abbey. In the last 70 yards Sir William came on again with a great display of courage to regain command and beat Swirling Abbey by a head. Round Table was third, inches away.

Moving on to Bay Meadows, Swirling

Abbey accounted for his only victory of the year by beating the good sprinter Liberal Art by more than a length in a six-furlong dash. His last start was in the Bay Meadows Derby, in which he ran second all the way, losing to Round Table by nearly three lengths.

After the race it was feared that Swirling Abbey had fractured a bone in his foot. Pictures failed to disclose a break, but a knot developed on a tendon. To add to his troubles, a pus pocket later was found in one of his feet. Swirling Abbey was sent to Conejo Ranch in southern California, and turned out for an extended rest.

R. H.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	12	7	1	1	3	\$ 79,365
1957	3	6	1	3	1	1	35,550
		18	8	4	2	4	\$114,915

SWITCH ON, ch. g., 1951, Condiment-Tactic, by *Sickle. Mrs. J. M. Branham, breeder; Gerald S. Colella, owner; J. Miele, trainer. ARH 1956. 115

Switch On in 1957 failed to hold his good form of the previous year, going unplaced in 12 of his 15 stakes efforts; but he turned in one top performance.

Unplaced in the Robert E. Lee and Tropical Handicaps, Switch On (121) made his first start of the Hialeah Park meeting in the seven-furlong Palm Beach Handicap, a race he won in 1956. Breaking from post No. 15 in a 16-horse field, he stayed within a length of Admiral Vee's pace for five furlongs, took the lead early in the stretch, and outfinished Roman Patrol (120) to win by 1½ lengths. I Appeal (117) was third, followed by Admiral Vee (120), Canadian Champ (116), Eiffel Blue (112), Goldnose (104), and 10 others.

Switch On was third in his other two starts at Hialeah, the 1½-mile McLennan Handicap and the 1¼-mile Widener Handicap, both of which had small fields. In the McLennan he was close for six furlongs, then tired and was beaten

6½ lengths by Summer Tan (124), which gave him five pounds. In the Widener, he again dropped back after six furlongs, beaten six lengths by Bardstown (126), which gave him ten pounds.

All of Switch On's placings during the remainder of the year were in overnight handicaps. On May 11 at Lincoln Downs he beat Double Bid (112), Motor Line (116), and Park Dandy (108) at seven furlongs, carrying top weight of 126 pounds. At Rockingham Park on August 3, Switch On (119) came from behind to defeat Navarette (108) and Pine Echo (116) at six furlongs, running the distance in 1:09½, one-fifth of a second slower than the track record. A week later he won at 1¼ miles, wearing down the filly Tournure in the last strides to score by a nose in 1:43%. On August 24 he closed his Rockingham Park campaign by again beating Pine Echo, to which he conceded 6 pounds, running six furlongs in 1:10.

In ten of the 12 stakes in which he was unplaced Switch On was no factor, but in the six-furlong Fall Highweight Handicap he was fourth to Itobe, beaten 2½ lengths, and in the one-mile Sysonby Handicap he was fifth to Tick Tock, beaten two lengths.

On November 25, Switch On died suddenly in his stall at Tropical Park in Florida. Cause of death was reported to be gastro-enteritis.

D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1953	2	24	6	2	5	11	\$32,865
1954	3	17	4	3	4	6	15,475
1955	4	21	8	5	4	4	43,612
1956	5	16	4	6	1	5	122,325
1957	6	22	5	1	2	14	62,250
		100	27	17	16	40	\$276,527

SWOON'S SON, b. c., 1953, The Doge-Swoon, by Sweep Like. E. Gay Drake, breeder and owner; A. G. Wilson, trainer. ARH 1955-56.

When Swoon's Son was a 2-year-old in 1955, he was ranked below Career Boy,

The Doge, a top-flight sprinter and miler for five seasons, won 25 of his 91 races, earned \$156,015. Among his best offspring were Swoon's Son, Dogoon, Boston Doge, Timely Tip, Melody Mine.



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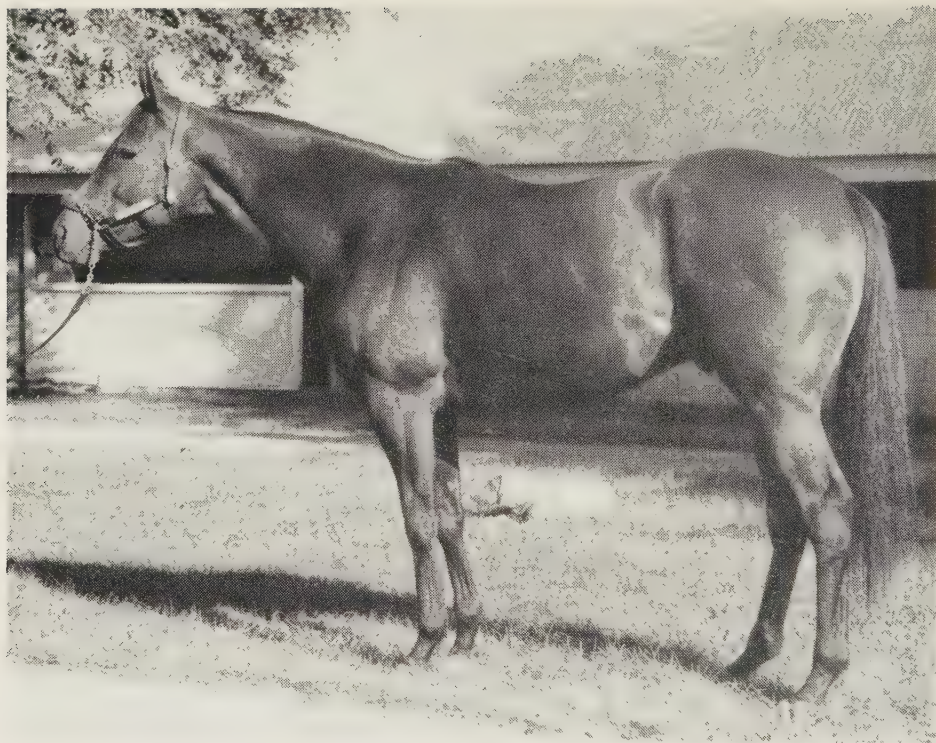
Nail, Needles, and Prince John in the Experimental Free Handicap. In 1956 he was ranked second to Needles in the Blood-Horse Handicap of the best 3-year-olds; and there were numerous dissenters who thought he had earned the No. 1 place, particularly for an appraisal at the hypothetical distance of $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles. In 1957 Bardstown was set at the top of the Blood-Horse Handicap, and Swoon's Son and Dedicate shared the next slot, a pound below the leader.

There was nothing authoritative about these free handicaps, of course, though they represented approximations of apparent class. But, if they were accepted at their face value, they indicated that no horse which had been as good as Swoon's Son in one year had gained similar distinction in another year. It was virtually beyond dispute that Gay

Drake's handsome colt was the best North American runner from the 1953 crop of foals. Bardstown and Dedicate, his only rivals in 1957, were both from the 1952 crop, which included even more horses of extraordinary class than the amazing generation of 1925.

The 1957 campaign of Swoon's Son was not as spectacular as that of the previous season. He never put together a string of more than three victories in succession. He failed to win at more than nine furlongs, and got that distance only once. He took three defeats in three attempts on grass courses, and appeared 10 or 15 pounds off his best form on soft turf. But if there were holes in his armor, there was no question of his courage and class.

After winning the 1956 Clark Handicap at Churchill Downs in November



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SWOON'S SON

SWOON'S SON, b. c., 1953	{	The Doge, br., 1942	{	°Bull Dog	{	°Teddy	{	Ajax
								Rondeau
						Plucky Liege		{ Spearmint
								Concertina
		{	{	My Auntie	{	Busy American	{	*North Star III
						Babe K.		*Breathing Spell
								{ Leonardo II
	{	Swoon, ch., 1942	{	Sweep Like	{	Sweep	{	Ben Brush
						*Lady Braxted		Pink Domino
								{ Braxted
								*Frummenty
		{	{	Sadie Greenock	{	Greenock	{	The Porter
						Silk Lady		Starella
								{ Ormondale
								Silk Maid

under 128 pounds, equivalent to 131 pounds on an older horse, Swoon's Son was given a rest at his birthplace, E. Gay Drake's Mineola Stock Farm, near Lexington, and a few weeks later was given over to Strother Griffin for winter training at Keeneland. He could not have been in more worshipful hands. Griffin thought him "a much better horse than Needles," and he had other superlatives:

"That horse never makes a wrong move; smart as he can be. He's steady, has an even disposition, knows what to do, and does it . . . He stands only 15:1, and has put on a little weight since he was turned out last fall."

There were times when Griffin's remarks needed slight modification. In his workouts the powerful colt occasionally was so antic as to remind Drake of his headstrong dam, which had been so unmanageable in the paddock at Hialeah Park one day that she had to be scratched from the Black Helen Handicap. The 15:1 estimate also was disputed. Swoon's Son was built in such near-perfect proportion that his size sometimes was underestimated. At Keeneland in the fall of 1957 Baylor Hickman was offering to bet that the colt stood "just under 16 hands," and trainer "Lex" Wilson was warning others not to bet, because "he just measured the horse, standing on pavement."

As in 1956, Swoon's Son made his start at Churchill Downs, then moved on to Chicago. Except for his last two races of the year, he ran only in handicaps, always under top weight, and always with Dave Erb as his rider. Only three of his winning races were on fast tracks, and in two of these he established new track records.

In the Churchill Downs Handicap on May 2 Swoon's Son (128) and Sea O Erin (119) were partly lapped all the way, the former winning by half a length, with Invalidate (113), Bernburgoo (113), and Star Rover (120) close behind them at the finish. Time for the seven furlongs was 1:24%.

At the Balmoral meeting at Washing-

ton Park in May and June, Swoon's Son won the six-furlong La Salle Handicap and the one-mile Citation Handicap, both on slow tracks, and finished a poor third in the Balmoral Turf Handicap at 1 3/16 miles. In the La Salle he carried 130 pounds and finished nearly two lengths ahead of Munchausen (113), with the filly Lori-El (3, 104) third and Sea O Erin (117) fifth in the field of seven. In the Citation, when he carried 131 pounds, Sea O Erin (114) ran head-and-head with him nearly all the way and was beaten only a nose. Third and fourth, at quarter-length intervals, were Besomer (111) and Munchausen (111). Sir Tribal (119) was tenth in the field of a dozen.

Swoon's Son (128) liked neither the soft track nor the extra distance in the Balmoral Turf Handicap. He yielded the lead in the stretch and finished third to Sir Tribal (113) and *North Cone (105), beaten more than five lengths and saving third place from Bernburgoo (113) by only a head.

His three races at Arlington Park paralleled the three at the Balmoral meeting, two victories being followed by a defeat on the grass course. For the \$50,000-added Warren Wright Memorial Handicap he carried 130 pounds and was co-favorite with Fabius (125), which he defeated by three lengths, lowering Clang's 22-year-old track record for seven furlongs to 1:21%. Besomer (111½) was third, Sea O Erin (117) last in the field of seven. The others unplaced were Munchausen (115), I Appeal (111), and Tussle Patch (108), which had exterminated one another with a half-mile in :44%.

As a result of this extraordinary show of power, the weight on Swoon's Son was moved up to a peak of 132 pounds and he was favorite at 4 to 5 for the Equipoise Mile on July 17. Munchausen (111) kept him company for a quarter-mile, and Fabius (123) made an ineffective challenge on the turn, but in the stretch he galloped away to win by more than three lengths from Call Me Lucky (108). Fabius, third, was

three lengths farther back, followed by *St. Amour II (115), Besomer (113), Smoke Screen (109), The Warrior (110), Sir Tribal (116), and three others. This was the biggest purse Swoon's Son won in 1957, \$34,900 net, and his time for the mile on a good track was 1:36%.

The grass track was firm for the \$100,000-added Arlington Handicap ten days later, but distance and weight brought another defeat. Swoon's Son (128) held close to the pace of Call Me Lucky (106) until they were in mid-stretch, but finished second to Manassas (121), beaten two lengths. *St. Vincent (120) nosed out *Sunningdale (107) for third place, 2½ lengths farther back. The winner ran the 1 3/16 miles in 1:55%.

Swoon's Son ran three times at Washington Park without finishing better than third. Under 130 pounds, he was fifth to *King Bruce II (110), *Festin (116), Greek Game (3, 118), and *El Khobar (118) in the Meadowland Handicap, six furlongs on a soft turf course. This was his last attempt on a grass track, but in the six-furlong Clang Handicap he was again fifth under 130 pounds, behind Flight History (114), Iron Liege (3, 121), *King Bruce II (111), and Craigwood (116), beaten about two lengths.

The Washington Park Handicap, offering \$100,000 added for a mile of competition, would have appeared a setup for Swoon's Son (130) if he had been at his peak on September 2. (A slight quarter-crack in his near fore foot had shown up a few days earlier.) He was a mild favorite, but he weakened after following the fast pace of Pucker Up (111), and finished third, 3½ lengths behind the best of the fillies and half a length behind Find (122). Pucker Up ran the mile in 1:34%. Unplaced were *St. Amour II (113), Terrang (121), *Festin (113½), Golden Notes (3, 107½), Fabius (118), and Portersville (114).

Four defeats in succession, including two races in which he got no part of the purse, were something of a novelty for Swoon's Son. At the Hawthorne meet-

ing in September and October he ran another triptych of races and fared somewhat better.

In the Midwest Handicap he carried 131 pounds, made his own pace, and ran 6½ furlongs in 1:16%, easing up as he hit the finish line with a nine-length margin over *King Bruce II (112) and Craigwood (121). In the Charles W. Bidwill Memorial Handicap, again with 131 pounds, he led all the way, finished under a hand ride, and ran the 1½ miles in 1:48%, taking two-fifths of a second off the track record set by Oil Capitol under 114 pounds. He won by a half-length from *Mahan (112), with Brown Hackle (114) and Eddie Schmidt (116) third and fourth.

The handicapper, in setting the weights for the 1¼-mile Hawthorne Gold Cup of October 12, made Swoon's Son (128) two pounds better, by the scale, than Round Table (121), though the latter then ranked about even with *Gallant Man and Bold Ruler among the best 3-year-olds, and Swoon's Son had not been tried at 1¼ miles. Hawthorne's horseplayers, taking full advantage of the opportunity, made Round Table an odds-on favorite and watched him pull away from Swoon's Son in the last furlong to win by three lengths, setting a new track record of 2:00%. The six horses reached the finish with nearly equal intervals between them. Find (119) was third, followed by Eddie Schmidt (113), Bernburgoo (110), and *Mahan (113).

Swoon's Son returned "home" to Keeneland, where he found no competition but appeared in an impressive exhibition on October 23. There were three other horses on the track for the six-furlong spin over a watery track which had been "floated," but Swoon's Son (126) treated them as if they were of another breed and galloped through the stretch eight lengths in front of Hoop Ring (108). Despite Erb's restraint and the sloppy condition of the track, he ran the three-quarters of a mile in 1:09%, two-fifths slower than the track record made two weeks earlier by Leallah.

In the Citation Handicap on May 25 Swoon's Son (inside) carried 131 pounds, raced head-and-head all the way with Sea O Erin, won by a nose. Besomer and Munchausen (left) were third and fourth.



Balmoral

This showing was followed, five weeks later, by Swoon's Son's last and worst race of the year. Except for a few starts in Florida, the colt had done all his racing in Kentucky and in the Chicago area, until he ran in the weight-for-age Pimlico Special at Pimlico on November 30. His failure here probably was less due to the distance, 1 3/16 miles, than to the fact that he had not had a genuine race since October 12.

The Special was run on a sloppy track. Swoon's Son made a slow and steady pace, but in the stretch he was helpless, and the other three runners, Promised Land, Tick Tock, and Third Brother, all went past him. He finished more than four lengths behind the winner, the 3-year-old Promised Land. As a reflection of his actual ability, this

was a race that had to be "thrown out."
J. A. E.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	13	7	4	1	1	\$236,705
1956	3	12	10	2	0	0	317,050
1957	4	15	8	2	2	3	215,150
		<u>40</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>\$768,905</u>

TELERAN, blk. f., 1954, Eight Thirty-
°Tellaris, by Pharis. Erdenheim Farms
Co. (George D. Widener), breeder;
George D. Widener, owner; W. F.
Mulholland, trainer. 109

Teleran, a sister to Tellarian and a half-sister to Armorial, was one of the busiest 3-year-old fillies in 1957, racing at least once a month from January

through November, with the exception of March. She failed to win any of the major filly-and-mare fixtures, but only four times in 18 starts was she beaten more than five lengths.

For the one-mile Acorn Stakes at Belmont Park on June 3, Teleran was a 21-1 outsider in the betting. She closed strongly, catching all but Bayou, which won by three lengths. Here and There was third, and behind her were Magic Forest, Jota Jota, Lori-El, Snow White, Pillow Talk, Light 'n Lovely, and Wilamette.

Teleran was a strong fourth in the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Gazelle Handicap at Belmont on September 11. Carrying 110 pounds, she was blocked briefly while making her drive in the stretch and was beaten two lengths by Bayou (120). Evening Time (118) and Pink Velvet (116), which finished a nose apart for second, beat her a half-length.

In both the Maskette and Firenze Handicaps Teleran stayed close to the pace throughout, but she lacked late speed, finishing fourth and sixth. She was a disappointing seventh in the Jersey Belle Stakes, her last race of the year. Second in her only start at two, she won four of 18 races at three, finished second four times, third four times, and earned \$28,444.

D. M. B. III

TENACIOUS, ch. c., 1954, Challedon-Dorothy B. Jr., by *Brown King. Mrs. Joe W. Brown, breeder; Joe W. Brown, owner; John B. Theall, trainer.

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Starting a long year at the Fair Grounds in January, Tenacious was back at the Crescent City track in December, still running and still winning. Going to the post at least once each month, except October, Tenacious was third or fourth in a half-dozen added-money events, including third in the Shevlin Stakes, Withers Stakes, and Dwyer Handicap.

Tenacious was a steady performer at

sprinting or middle distances. With enough speed to be well placed in most races, he made his move late and caught the pace-setters in the stretch. He never carried more than 117 pounds to victory in 1957, but he showed some good efforts when weighted higher. At equal weight of 119 pounds, Tenacious was a half-length off Promised Land in the fall.

His two-season record: 43 starts, seven wins, 16 placings, \$49,495 earned.
P. O'B.

TERRA FIRMA, b. c., 1955, Ky. Colonel-Bellerine, by Sir Damion. R. D. Prewitt, breeder and owner; B. G. Collins, trainer. 121

R. Douglas Prewitt has a small farm called Prewitt Place near Lexington, Ky., where each year he raises four to six foals. He usually keeps one or two for himself and sells the others. In the summer of 1956 Prewitt had four yearlings for sale. Three went readily enough, but the fourth, for which he wanted \$10,000, drew no offer of more than \$7,500, so Prewitt kept him. The yearling grew into a rangy 2-year-old of about 16 hands, and he was named Terra Firma.

Prewitt trained the youngster at Keeneland, where he won his debut at 33-1. Terra Firma then moved to Churchill Downs, where trainer Bruce Collins picked him up. He showed nothing in an allowance race won by Margaretta, and three days later the stable ran him for a \$6,000 claiming price. Over a sloppy track Terra Firma won by 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths, and four days later he was unplaced in the five-furlong Bashford Manor Stakes, about 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths behind Litte Reaper. The track was sloppy again.

A cough kept the colt out of action until July 26 at Arlington Park, when he was a close third to Roman Bow and Little Skip at 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs. Against Alhambra in the George Woolf Memorial Stakes at Washington Park on

Terra Firma, by Ky. Colonel, won the Hawthorne Juvenile Handicap, but his best was a second to Nadir in the Garden State Stakes. He was second in the George Woolf Memorial and Prairie State Stakes.



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July 31, he ran a steady race to be second, three lengths back of the favored Olympia colt. In the Prairie State Stakes on August 12, Terra Firma gave Alhambra a fright, losing by a nose after a tight battle through most of the stretch.

"We should have won," trainer Colins said later. "He tried to savage Alhambra, and the boy (Larry Gilligan) had to take hold of him and couldn't do him justice."

After two consecutive victories, at Washington Park and Hawthorne, Terra Firma was a 13-10 favorite in the Hawthorne Juvenile Handicap on October 5. He had top weight, 122 pounds. Alarullah (113), Hasty House Farms' \$30,000 *Nasrullah colt, set the pace, pressed by Music Man Fox (120). Terra Firma was sixth, three or four lengths

back. He entered contention on the stretch bend, and at the quarter-pole he was running smoothly, a head behind Music Man Fox. Alarullah had faltered, but Elegante (117) was charging on the rail. Terra Firma put away Music Man Fox and held off Elegante in the last 50 yards to score by a head.

Encouraged by this effort, Prewitt spent \$10,000 to make Terra Firma a supplementary entry for the Garden State Stakes at Garden State Park on October 26. A week before the big race Terra Firma was tested for the first time at the Garden State distance, 1 1/16 miles. He took the lead after a half-mile on the muddy track, was two lengths in front at the eighth-pole, then tired, losing by a head to Martins Rullah, to which he was giving ten pounds.

His race in the Garden State was ex-

cellent, but Nadir chose this day to show his best form of the season. Terra Firma was in second place after the first quarter-mile, and he stayed there to the end, losing by two lengths. Second money was \$55,430. The record: 13 starts, five wins, four seconds, a third, \$93,915 earned. J. A.

TERRANG, br. c., 1953, *Khaled-Flying Choice, by Flying Heels. Rex C. Ellsworth, breeder; Poltex Stable (Lawrence Pollock) and Roland Bond, owners; C. A. Roles, trainer. ARH 1956. 117

Rex Ellsworth, who maintains one of the largest Thoroughbred nurseries in California, is noted for his reluctance to sell a horse. There have been rare exceptions to what almost amounts to a rigid rule, and one of these was early in 1957 when Ellsworth sold Terrang for \$80,000 to Lawrence S. Pollock, wealthy paper manufacturer, of Dallas.

Terrang promptly won his purchase price, and two of his performances were all anyone could ask of a race horse. In the nine-furlong San Antonio Handicap at Santa Anita Park he established a new track record of 1:47%, and in the Argonaut Handicap at Hollywood Park he rattled off a mile in 1:33%, three-fifths of a second slower than Swaps' world record.

Terrang opened his 1957 campaign with an excellent showing, in Ellsworth's colors, in the seven-furlong Malibu Sequet Stakes at Santa Anita. Shouldering top weight of 124 pounds, he finished a nose behind Blen Host (112), with Count Of Honor (120) another nose away in third place. Terrang, under 120 pounds, made only one more start in the red-and-black silks of Ellsworth, finishing fourth to Battle Dance (110) in the San Pasqual Handicap. Honeys Alibi (120) and Porterhouse (126) were second and third. The sale was negotiated by trainer Carl (Slim) Roles, who several months before had bought the crack English sprinter *Pappa Four-

way for Pollock's Poltex Stable and Roland Bond, president of the Republic National Bank, of Dallas. *Pappa Four-way, described by Roles as "the fastest horse I've ever trained," fractured a sesamoid shortly after his arrival in this country and never raced for his new owners. Pollock instructed Roles to seek another horse, and on the eve of the nine-furlong Santa Catalina Handicap the trainer called Pollock to report that he had found one he liked. Pollock told him to go ahead with the deal, and so Terrang joined the Poltex Stable. The next afternoon, under new colors, Terrang (120) was third to Honeys Alibi (122) in the Santa Catalina.

Three weeks later Terrang (118) paid a big dividend on his purchase price. Going off at nearly 12 to 1 against Mister Gus (124), *Holandes II (122), and Honeys Alibi (121) for the 19th running of the nine-furlong San Antonio, Terrang made a shambles of his field, winning by nearly six lengths. Never worse than second, he had the San Antonio all wrapped up before he reached the stretch.

Duc de Fer (115) took command at the start, but Terrang, about a length away, pressed him until they reached the far turn. There Terrang bounded to the front, and he was four lengths on top at the head of the stretch. Honeys Alibi, Social Climber (121), and *Holandes II all offered mild threats, but Terrang drew away easily. His fractional time for the mile was 1:35.

Terrang was forced to skip the Santa Anita Handicap, for which he would have been one of the strong contenders; Ellsworth had neglected to nominate him for the early-closing stakes. He finished third to Duc de Fer in the Christopher J. Fitzgerald Handicap, and second to Pylades in the Santa Barbara Handicap.

Roles gave his fireball a rest until the opening of the spring-summer campaign at Hollywood Park, and in the meantime Terrang acquired another new

Terrang earned back his purchase price after having been sold for \$80,000 early in 1957. His form declined after a bar in a foot was broken.



Allen F. Brewer Jr.

owner. Pollock sold a half-interest in the horse to Bond, who, as partner in the purchase of *Pappa Fourway, had been in and out of racing before he had a starter. When the deal for Terrang turned out well, Pollock insisted that Bond become his partner in racing again.

Early in the Hollywood Park meeting Terrang was unplaced to Porterhouse in the Los Angeles Handicap and was fourth to Social Climber in the Californian.

The mile Argonaut Handicap found Terrang at his peak again. Under 117 pounds, he came out of the gate under a full head of steam, and was in command as the field swung around the club house turn. Bobby Brocato (124), making his first start in six months, had a flash of speed that carried him to the five-eighths-pole, where he was caught in

a jam, tired, and dropped back. Corn Husker (122) took up the chase from there, and made a mild bid on the turn, but could not sustain it. It was Find (118), running another of his excellent races, which forced Terrang to run the first three-quarters in :22 $\frac{1}{2}$, :22 $\frac{1}{2}$, and :24. Terrang was slowing down in the stretch, when he ran his last quarter in :25, but by that time no one was really running at him. Pit Boss (109) came up to nose Find out of second.

Roles began pointing Terrang for the Inglewood Handicap as his next start, but on the morning before the race it was discovered that the colt had suffered a broken bar on his right fore foot. It threw him out of training for three weeks, but with an aluminum shield and a steel shoe Terrang was able to run in the Gold Cup, although he was far from

	{Hyperion	{Gainsborough
*Khaled, br., 1943	{Selene	
{Eclair	{Ethnarch	
TERRANG, br. c., 1953	{Black Ray	
	{Flying Ebony	
{Flying Heels	{Heeltaps	
Flying Choice, ch., 1938	{Westy Hogan	
{Rain Crow	{Black Belle	

his best. His intense speed was lacking, and he finished eighth, beaten 16 lengths by Round Table.

Terrang then was flown to Chicago for the Washington Park Handicap. In a six-furlong conditioner, he indicated he still was not quite right, finishing third to Fabius and Warbler. With 121 pounds in the big handicap, he was fifth behind Pucker Up (111), Find (122), Swoon's Son (130), and *St. Amour II (113), beaten four lengths. The fire had gone out for the time being, and Roles sent him back to California to await a new season at Santa Anita.

R. H.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	10	3	1	1	5	\$ 30,700
1956	3	21	4	5	5	7	192,850
1957	4	11	2	1	3	6	89,835
		42	9	7	9	18	\$313,385

THE CRACK, ch. c., 1954, Pavot-Bus Girl, by Time Maker. Mr. and Mrs. Bayard Tuckerman Jr., breeders; Bayard Tuckerman Jr., owner; M. J. Bresnahan, trainer.

Bayard Tuckerman Jr. in his youth was one of the best hunt and steeplechase riders in the East, and later he raced a stable of steeplechasers. He worked for the passage of a bill to permit pari-mutuel betting in Massachusetts, and served as first president of Suffolk Downs.

The pressure of his insurance business—he is a senior partner in the Boston firm of O'Brien, Russell, and Company—soon forced Tuckerman out of race track management, but he continued his association with horses as a breeder. One

of his first mares was I'm So Dry, whose first foal was Bus Girl, winner of six races from 1942-1944. Bus Girl's first foal was Orco, which earned \$84,777 in five seasons and won two small stakes. In 1949, the year Orco was foaled, Tuckerman also bred the stakes winners Lavender Hill and Handsome Teddy.

Bus Girl's sixth foal was The Crack, foaled March 9, 1954. He won two of six races at two, ran four good races in five attempts at three. After winning overnight races at Lincoln Downs and Suffolk Downs early in the season, The Crack (113) appeared in the six-furlong Select Handicap at Monmouth Park on June 15. He pressed Jaunty John (111) for a half-mile, took the lead at the eighth-pole, and beat Vertex (115) by 1½ lengths in 1:09½, two-fifths of a second slower than the track record. Irate (116) was third, and the also-rans included King Hairan (126) and Missile (123).

The Crack was rested for nearly two months after the Select, returning to action in the six-furlong King Neptune Handicap at Atlantic City on August 8. Carrying 119 pounds, he took the lead early in the stretch and beat Arion (109) and Liberal Art (112) by a length. King Hairan (124) was fourth in the field of ten.

In his next start, the six-furlong Times Square Handicap at Belmont Park on September 9, The Crack grabbed a quarter soon after the start and finished last. He was returned to Tuckerman's Little Sunswick Farm, South Westport, Mass., for rest and repairs. In two seasons he won six of 11 starts, finished second once, and earned \$37,605.

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THIRD BROTHER, b. c., 1953, *Princequillo-Hildene, by Bubbling Over. C. T. Chenery, breeder and owner; J. H. Hayes, trainer. ARH 1956. 124

Third Brother was worse than fourth on only four occasions during his 19-race

campaign in 1957, and this was noteworthy because the brother to Hill Prince and Prince Hill competed in 17 major stakes races, frequently under top weight.

The colt opened his season on an excellent note, carrying 116 pounds and scoring a nose decision over Dedicate (124) in the Bowie Handicap on March 16. The 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile event was run in 1:44%, and Third Brother was up in the last stride.

Dedicate was held at 124 pounds for the \$100,000 John B. Campbell Memorial Handicap, and Third Brother picked up two pounds, to 118. Another thrilling duel developed in the last furlong, but this time it was Dedicate's nose in front, in 1:44%. Third Brother then seemed to lose some of his fine edge, running out of the money in three consecutive races before coming back with a victory, one of his best performances of the year, in the 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ -mile Camden Handicap at Garden State Park on June 1. Carrying 118 pounds, he took the lead coming off the final turn and beat Bardstown (130) by four lengths in the excellent time of 1:48%. Bardstown was not in his best

form at that time—his ankles were troubling him again—but even so, only one other horse, Summer Tan, had defeated him in 1957.

The Chenery colt was assigned 122 pounds for the 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -mile Suburban Handicap, next under Dedicate (126) and Traffic Judge (124), but a slow start eliminated him and he finished ninth. Dropping three pounds, he next was second to Dedicate (124) in the 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -mile Monmouth Handicap, beaten 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths

Third Brother finished fourth in his next two races, carrying top weight of 126 pounds in the 1 $\frac{3}{16}$ -mile Brooklyn Handicap and finishing about three lengths behind Portersville (116), and toting 122 pounds in the 1 $\frac{3}{16}$ -mile Atlantic City Handicap and finishing five lengths behind Dedicate (126). Dedicate was disqualified for interference, however, and the new order became *Royal Beacon II (112), Helfast (112), and Third Brother.

After a poor showing behind *Gallant Man in the Nassau County Handicap, September 18 at Belmont Park, Third Brother placed in five of six stakes and won a 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ -mile overnight handicap, giv-

THIRD BROTHER

THIRD BROTHER, b. c., 1953	*Princequillo, b., 1940	Prince Rose	Rose Prince	{ *Prince Palatine Eglantine
			Indolence	{ Gay Crusader Barrier
		*Cosquilla	Papyrus	{ Tracery Miss Matty
			Quick Thought	{ White Eagle Mindful
	Hildene, b., 1938	Bubbling Over	*North Star III	{ Sunstar Angelic
			Beaming Beauty	{ Sweep Bellisario
		Fancy Racket	*Wrack	{ Robert le Diable Samphire
			Ultimate Fancy	{ Ultimus Idle Fancy

ing Riley four pounds and beating him 1½ lengths. In each of his placings he carried top weight, or shared the honor, and all but one of the races were at 1 3/16 miles or longer. Only once was he beaten by as much as three lengths.

He was third to Reneged at equal weights in the 1½-mile Manhattan Handicap; a length behind *Gallant Man, at weight for age, in the two-mile Jockey Club Gold Cup; fourth to Eddie Schmidt, which used a 13-pound advantage to beat him 1½ lengths, in the 1½-mile Gallant Fox Handicap; second to *Mahan, beaten 3½ lengths, in the 1½-mile Washington, D. C., International; third by a neck to Promised Land, which had an advantage of two pounds by the scale, in the 1½-mile Idlewild Handicap; and third to Promised Land in the 1 3/16-mile Pimlico Special.

Third Brother was not endowed with the brilliance of Hill Prince, "horse of the year" in 1950, but he had all the courage of the illustrious first brother in this series.

P. O'B.

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	7	1	0	0	6	\$ 2,600
1956	3	26	5	2	5	14	87,100
1957	4	19	3	5	5	6	158,850
52 9 7 10 26							\$248,550

TICK TOCK, br. g., 1953, Double Jay—Up Early, by Sun Again. Bull Run Stud (Howell E. Jackson), breeder; Howell E. Jackson, owner; Edward A. Christmas, trainer. ARH 1956. 116

A steady workman in 1957, Tick Tock ran in 21 races, and only three times failed to win a part of the purse. He raced at ten different tracks, ran equally well on fast and slow strips, carried 118 pounds or more in half his races, and took on the best horses in training. His main fault was a habit of bearing in, making it difficult for his rider to obtain an all-out effort in the stretch.

Tick Tock ran best during the second half of the year, when he won the

Sysonby and Sport Page Handicaps. After a disqualification from fourth place in Dedicate's Monmouth Handicap on July 13, he was beaten badly only once, and that was when Bold Ruler (130) shattered the seven-furlong track record at Belmont Park in the Vosburgh Handicap, October 9. Tick Tock (117) was second, nine lengths back.

The gelding's first stakes placing in 1957 was in the six-furlong Wilson Handicap, May 18 at Jamaica. Jovial Jove (117) won by 2½ lengths, and Tick Tock (117) sustained a good stretch run to get second money, three-quarters of a length in front of Decimal (122). Three weeks later, in the 1½-mile Metropolitan Handicap, Tick Tock (116) was fourth, beaten three lengths, behind Traffic Judge (118), Dedicate (126), and Greek Spy (114).

Double Jay, dk. br., 1944	{ Balladier	{ Black Toney
	{ Broomshot	{ Blue Warbler
		{ Whisk Broom II
TICK TOCK, br. g., 1953		{ Centre Shot
	{ Sun Again	{ Sun Teddy
	{ Up Early, ch., 1948	{ Hug Again
	{ P T Boat	{ Trace Call
		{ Speed Boat

He was unplaced in the 1½-mile Edgemere Handicap, won by Admiral Vee, and in the 1½-mile Massachusetts Handicap Tick Tock (123) was third to Greek Spy (118) and Illusionist (109), beaten about four lengths.

Tick Tock (115) was within a half-length of Ricci Tavi (118) on July 25, when the latter established a new track mark of 1:41½ for 1¼ miles at Belmont Park and as a result was assigned 118 pounds for the 1 3/16-mile Brooklyn Handicap. He ran within three lengths of the pace all the way, finishing third to Portersville (116) and Admiral Vee (120), beaten three-quarters of a length. The winner missed the track record by one-fifth of a second. Tick Tock (111) was third again in the 1½-mile Whitney Stakes on August 10, 2½ lengths behind Kingmaker (115),

and on September 2, carrying 124 pounds, he had a rough trip and ran unplaced, beaten 2½ lengths, in the six-furlong Fall Highweight Handicap, on the Widener Course. The placed horses were Itobe (124), Commendation 116), and Gay Warrior (117).

These races brought Tick Tock into condition to score his first victory of the year, in the Sysonby Handicap at Belmont Park on September 7. He ran the mile in 1:36½ under 114 pounds, and it took a long, hard drive to defeat Reneged (124) by a neck. Ricci Tavi (123) was another neck back in third place.

For his next race, the Nassau County Handicap on September 18, Tick Tock (113) was against the stoutest competition. The 3-year-old *Gallant Man (121) ran the nine furlongs in 1:47%, a new track record, beating Dedicate (126) a neck. It was a length back to Reneged (121), another neck to Tick Tock.

Tick Tock (117) took on Bold Ruler (130), then beginning to show the best form of his 3-year-old season, in the Vosburgh Handicap. He got to second place, about five lengths behind Bold Ruler, at the top of the stretch, but the Wheatley Stable colt drew away in the last furlong to win by nine, setting a new track record of 1:21½ for seven furlongs.

Another 3-year-old took Tick Tock's measure in the Quaker City Handicap, 1½ miles on October 12 at Garden State Park. Manteau's 110 pounds was equal by the scale to Tick Tock's 114, and the two battled through most of the stretch before the younger horse prevailed by a neck. On November 11 at Jamaica Tick Tock (122) got his second victory of the year, in the six-furlong Sport Page Handicap, beating *St. Amour II (117) by 2½ lengths, with Portersville (121) in third place, another length back.

Oh Johnny (120) put it on Tick Tock (116) in the 1 3/16-mile Narragansett Special. Tick Tock, which had gained

a narrow lead at the eighth-pole, was beaten by slightly less than a length.

Tick Tock (118) was fourth in the 1½-mile Idlewild Handicap, a half-length behind Promised Land (3, 121), which then was in the midst of a streak of stakes victories. Between them were Oh Johnny (123) and Third Brother (126). Promised Land got him again a week later, on November 30, in the 1 3/16-mile Pimlico Special. The weight-for-age Special was run in the slop. Tick Tock stayed with Promised Land nearly all the way, losing by a length. Third Brother (126) was a neck back in third place, Swoon's Son fourth and last.

							P. O'B.
Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	7	1	4	1	1	\$ 12,400
1956	3	15	5	4	1	5	69,125
1957	4	21	2	7	4	8	92,040
		43	8	15	6	14	\$173,565

TIMES ACE, b. c., 1955, *Khaled-Dama II, by Dante. Rex C. Ellsworth, breeder and owner; Meshach Tenney, trainer. 114

Times Ace ran in four races in 1957, and Frank E. Kilroe, apparently on the strength of a strong second to Old Pueblo in the seven-furlong California Breeders' Trial Stakes at Santa Anita Park on December 28, assigned him 114 pounds in the Experimental Free Handicap. The colt previously had won the second of two maiden races and finished fifth in the Cabrillo Stakes.

In the Breeders' Trial, Old Pueblo showed his usual early speed, with Times Ace a close second from the start. Entering the stretch, Times Ace moved to within a head of the California champion, but he tired slightly in the last quarter and was beaten 1½ lengths. Strong Bay was third, a half-length away, followed by Silky Sullivan, Furyvan, Circle Lea, and three others. It was the best field of California-bred 2-year-olds assembled all year. The record: four starts, one win, one second, one third, \$8,350.

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TITANIUM, ch. c., 1955, Lodge Night-Wiseasyou, by Wise Counsellor. E. B. Johnston, breeder and trainer; Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Johnston, owners.
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Titanium, brother to the stakes winner Smart Barbara, had good early speed and enough perseverance to earn a place in 11 of his 16 races. His best race was in the six-furlong Graduation Stakes at Del Mar August 7. He led from the break to the sixteenth-pole where he was caught by Strong Bay, winner by three-quarters of a length. Behind the first two were Circle Lea, Disdainful, Khal-Sea, and three others. The six furlongs were run in 1:10%.

In Titanium's next start, the six-furlong California Breeders Sales Stakes, he stopped after forcing a fast pace and finished tenth. In his last two races, six-furlong overnight events, he was third to Khal-Sea and beat Khalex a nose.

Titanium stood 16 hands, weighed about 1,000 pounds. He had most of his size when he started his campaign. In 16 starts, he won four races, was second three times, third four times, and earned \$36,975. G. E. W.

TOURBILLONTE, b. f., 1954, *Ardan-Tourmente, by Tourbillon. Mrs. W. Alton Jones and Estate of Royce G. Martin, breeders; Warner Stable (Maj. Albert Warner), owner; W. F. Alvarado, trainer. —

While in New York in the late fall of 1956, trainer Willie Alvarado purchased Tourbillonte for Maj. Albert Warner for \$35,000. Sent to California, the filly proved herself one of the top sprinters of her sex at Santa Anita and Hollywood Parks, and Alvarado once turned down \$50,000 for her.

Tourbillonte—15 hands and a little better than 900 pounds—won three high-class allowance races during the year, and narrowly missed in five stakes. A filly with intense early speed, she won twice at Santa Anita at six furlongs,

and twice at Hollywood Park at seven furlongs.

Tourbillonte's first appearance in a stakes was in the La Centinela at Santa Anita, where she was out-nodded in the last jump by the strong finisher *Royal Rasher. In the Santa Ynez Stakes, she led to the top of the homestretch before being overpowered by Sully's Trail and Market Basket, and in the Santa Susana, Tourbillonte was in command until the last sixteenth before being caught by Market Basket and *Royal Rasher.

Freshened for the spring-summer campaign at Hollywood Park, Tourbillonte came out as a lukewarm favorite at 3-1 for the six-furlong Goose Girl Stakes. She finished second, unable to match the powerful closing rush of Market Basket. Although the Honeymoon Stakes was at a mile, Tourbillonte was favored to win her division, but again she was second, whipped in the last sixteenth by Great Pride. In the Del Mar Oaks she tired after cutting out a lively early pace and was easy prey in the stretch for *Royal Rasher and Vyg.

Her easiest victory of the year was in an overnight handicap on July 10 at Hollywood Park. Catching a "good" track and a field without too much early speed to bother her, Tourbillonte (112) stepped into a commanding lead at the start, and turned for home six lengths on top. With the race safely tucked away, she was eased in the last 70 yards, leading Candy Dish (107), and Gun Fly (112) to the wire by five lengths.

At two Tourbillonte won five of 12 races, placed in five, and earned \$17,880. At three she won four of her 17 starts, placed in seven others, and earned \$36,975. R. H.

TRAFFIC JUDGE, ch. h., 1952, *Alibhai-Traffic Court, by Discovery. Clifford Mooers, breeder; L. P. Doherty, owner; James W. Maloney, trainer. ARH 1955-56. 122

At noon on December 31, 1956, Traffic Judge's ownership changed from the

estate of Clifford Mooers to a syndicate of breeders organized by L. P. Doherty, who a week earlier had obtained the handsome son of *Alibhai with a sealed bid of \$362,345.67. Although Traffic Judge's form at four had been far below his best races at three, when he ranked close to Nashua and Swaps, Doherty had no trouble selling shares.

The horse raced in Doherty's name in 1957, but the rewards and the risks were shared by Pin Oak Farm, Clearwater Stable, Bertram Linder, Robert McLain, Dr. R. C. Austin, William du Pont, Dr. Charles E. Hagyard, Dr. Horace N. Davis, Paul Mellon, Dr. Eslie Asbury, E. H. Woods, John Greer, Ira Drymon, Taylor Hardin, Mrs. Marion du Pont Scott, Reno Renfrew, Bwamazon Farm, Philip Connors, Mrs. J. R. H. Thouron, T. F. Lutz, W. Paul Little, Mrs. Joseph Walker Jr., Cortright Wetherill, Whitney Stone, L. S. MacPhail, and E. Barry Ryan.

Traffic Judge was at Santa Anita at the time of his sale, and he was kept there for the winter meeting, during which he ran five times. Only once did he fail to get a portion of the purse, but he never won.

On January 18, Traffic Judge finished fourth to the speedy Count of Honor and Johnie Mike in a seven-furlong allowance race, beaten about five lengths. He made up a little ground in the stretch, but seven furlongs never had been his best distance, and it was his first race since October.

His next start, on February 8, was in another seven-furlong overnight race, and this time he looked much sharper. Sixth in a seven-horse field until the top of the stretch, he gained about six lengths in the last quarter to be beaten a nose by Lassabatt in 1:22. Karim was third, two lengths back, followed by Bold Bazooka, Arrogate, My Chief, and Niralad.

The 1½-mile San Marino Handicap, an overnight test on February 13, was Traffic Judge's next start and his "tightener" for the Santa Anita Handicap on Feb-

ruary 23. Carrying top weight of 123 pounds, he was fourth for seven furlongs, moved to the lead with a rush at the eighth-pole, then tired and finished third to Lover Boy (116) and *Vaquero II (118), beaten 2½ lengths. *By Thunder II (110), Born Mighty (110), Blen Host (115), Adam's Apple (115), and *Nearque II (113) finished behind him.

Weights for the Santa Anita Handicap are assigned about two months in advance each year, and in December racing secretary Frank E. Kilroe had given Traffic Judge 122 pounds, which turned out to be the starting high weight. If the weights had been assigned a few days before the race, as is the custom with most handicaps, he probably would have received a lighter burden. At any rate, 122 pounds proved too much. Traffic Judge was in the middle of the pack throughout, finishing tenth to Corn Husker (105), beaten about ten lengths. The bettors who liked his chances collected, however, since Corn Husker also was trained by Charles Whittingham.

Corn Husker (116) and Traffic Judge (119) ran as an entry again in the 1¼-mile San Juan Capistrano Handicap on the grass on March 9. The syndicate horse, eleventh after one mile, opened throttle after 1¼ miles, and at the eighth-pole he had passed all but Spinney (114), which was two lengths in front. In the last furlong, however, Traffic Judge dropped back to fourth, about four lengths back. Corn Husker came on to beat Spinney a head in the last jump.

A few days after the Santa Anita meeting closed, Traffic Judge and several other horses bound for New York were loaded aboard a horse car at Los Angeles for a rail journey to Belmont Park. The trip was uneventful until the train neared the Kansas-Colorado border. It began to snow, and within a few hours a blizzard had brought the train to a halt a few miles from Garden City, Kan. The steam lines under Traffic



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TRAFFIC JUDGE

TRAFFIC JUDGE, ch. h., 1952	{ °Alibhai, ch., 1938	{	Hyperion	{	Gainsborough	{	Bayardo
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		{	Traffic	{	Blue Tit	{	Wildfowler
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		{	Traffic	{	Display	{	Fair Play
					°Cicuta		
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			Adrienne				
{	Traffic	{	Broomstick	{	Ben Brush		
			°Elf				
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Judge's car broke, and the frozen vapor sealed the doors to the car. By the time the Santa Fe Railroad's snow plows reached the train, the car had been without fresh air for 48 hours. The horses apparently suffered no ill effects, and the trip to New York continued without incident.

In New York Traffic Judge was taken over by trainer Jim Maloney; Whittingham had remained on the West Coast for the Hollywood Park meeting. Maloney rested the horse for about two months after his arrival in the East, Traffic Judge making the first of three starts of the Belmont Park season on May 29 in a six-furlong test. Ridden by Pete Anderson, he wore down Dark Peter and Mr. Hawley early in the stretch and held off the challenge of Riley, which was spotting him seven pounds, to win by one length in 1:10%, a second slower than the track record.

Ten days later Maloney sent Traffic Judge (118) against Dedicate (126) and 15 others in the one-mile Metropolitan Handicap. With Eddie Arcaro up, Traffic Judge was 14th after a quarter, 13th after a half. Arcaro tried to begin his advance on the stretch turn, but for several seconds it appeared that Traffic Judge would fail to get racing room in time. "He really wanted to run," Arcaro said, "but there was just nowhere to go."

Just inside the quarter-pole two of the horses in front of Traffic Judge inched toward the rail, and Arcaro found room by swinging his horse outside them. Traffic Judge moved to seventh at the eighth-pole, and in the last furlong he passed the six horses still in front of him, getting to Dedicate in the last 30 yards. He won by three-quarters of a length in 1:36. Behind Dedicate were Greek Spy (114), Tick Tock (116), Tellarian (113), *Tudor Era (114), Portersville (114), Paper Tiger (115), War Piper (110), Switch On (117), Riley (119), Gray Phantom (113), Jutland (111), First Served (111), Oh

Johnny (118), Ricci Tavi (118), and Kingmaker (118).

Frank Kilroe gave Traffic Judge six additional pounds, up to 124, for the 1¼-mile Suburban Handicap on July 4. Dedicate remained at 126, with Third Brother third in the weights at 122. Traffic Judge was a slight favorite in the 11-horse field, going off at 42-10.

Lofty Peak (118) set a swift pace in the Suburban, going a half in :47%, three-quarters in 1:11, and Traffic Judge did not attempt to stay close. He was eighth, about 11 lengths behind, after four furlongs, and fifth, seven lengths back, after six furlongs. Arcaro shook him up on the final turn and Traffic Judge moved up on the inside.

At the eighth-pole Lofty Peak still led, with Traffic Judge, Dedicate, and Admiral Vee, from inside to outside, spread out across the track, 1½ lengths back. Traffic Judge was moving fastest, but Arcaro didn't like his position on the inside. At the sixteenth-pole he pulled over in front of Dedicate and made his challenge on the outside of Lofty Peak. Traffic Judge caught the pacesetter two strides from the finish, and won by a head. The time was 2:02½, with the winner running the final quarter in 25 seconds.

Dedicate (126) finished third, followed by Admiral Vee (117), Riley (120), Kingmaker (115), Career Boy (122), Beam Rider (111), Third Brother (122), Thinking Cap (113), and Tellarian (110).

The stewards had a look at the patrol films before they made the result official; they finally decided that Traffic Judge had not bothered Dedicate when Arcaro swung out. The syndicate members got first money of \$58,450.

Traffic Judge appeared to have an excellent chance to add further laurels to his record if he had been continued in training after the Suburban. He was retired immediately, however, and in mid-July was shipped to Doherty's Stallion Station on the Russell Cave Pike, near

Lexington, where he was to begin stud duties in the spring of 1958.

"He proved he still was one of the best horses in training, and he earned \$120,000. That's certainly all we could hope for," Doherty said.

Traffic Judge retired sound, and he quickly became one of the most popular tourist attractions at the Stallion Station. A beautiful chestnut, he was tall and long, with the appearance of great power. He remained in good flesh even when in hard training. D.M.B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1954	2	8	2	2	1	3	\$ 32,486
1955	3	19	7	4	1	7	226,164
1956	4	9	1	4	0	4	53,475
1957	5	8	3	1	1	3	120,325

44	13	11	3	17	\$432,450
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***TUDOR ERA, b. c., 1953, Owen Tudor-Erica Fragrans, by Big Game. Dunchurch Lodge Stud Co., breeder (in England); Mrs. Herbert Herff, owner; Sidney Jacobs, trainer. 115**

*Tudor Era was bred in England, the third foal of Erica Fragrans, a Big Game mare which received 105 pounds in the Free Handicap as a three-year-old, the only year she raced. Racing in England in 1955 and through most of 1956, *Tudor Era was second in one of his three starts at two, and the next year, before his importation, he placed in all of his four starts, finishing second in the Coventry (one mile), Blue Riband Trial (1 $\frac{1}{16}$ miles) and St. James's Stakes (1 $\frac{1}{16}$ miles), and third in the Duke of York Handicap (1 $\frac{1}{4}$ miles). *Timeform's Race Horses of 1956*, said, "A very useful colt on his day, probably best at around one mile."

In June, 1956, *Tudor Era was purchased, reportedly for \$15,000, by Mrs. Herbert Herff, of Memphis, and brought to the U. S. in mid-summer. In nine starts from September through December *Tudor Era won three races and finished second to Traffic Judge in the Laurel Turf Cup and second to Fabricator in

the Ponce de Leon Handicap. He received 107 pounds in the Blood-Horse Handicap.

*Tudor Era showed considerable improvement at four in 1957, turning in top performances at distances from six furlongs to 1 $\frac{3}{16}$ miles. He had enough early speed to stay within striking distance, and he usually closed well, finishing worse than fourth only twice in 18 starts.

*Tudor Era was fourth in the Bougainvillea Turf and Appleton Handicaps, but his best performance of the Florida season was on March 16, when he beat *Blue Choir, *North Cone, and Grand Canyon by two lengths in a 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile race at Gulfstream Park.

Moving to Maryland, *Tudor Era scored an easy two-length victory over *Akbar Khan, Roman Battle, Lofty Peak, and Fabricator in a 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile grass race at Laurel on April 8. All except Roman Battle (113) carried 118 pounds. On April 27 in the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Laurel Handicap, *Tudor Era (118) was close throughout, beaten a head and a nose by Cedrus (118) and Besomer (111) in a three-horse finish. First Served (116), *Rasper II (119), Kingmaker (120), Fabricator (120), and four others finished behind him.

He then was third to Nahodah in the Salvator Mile and to *Combustion II in the Longfellow Handicap, but he was no factor in either race, being beaten 12 and seven lengths. On July 19 he won one of the best overnight handicaps of the New York season, carrying 117 pounds and beating Ricci Tavi (121) by 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths at six furlongs, with Joe Jones (124), Gay Warrior (116), Reneged (124), and Duc de Fer (119) trailing.

Second, one length behind Decathlon, in a 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ -furlong race at Atlantic City on August 19, *Tudor Era won his first stakes of the season on August 31, when he took the 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -mile Olympic Handicap, a grass race at Atlantic City. Carrying 113 pounds, he was fourth for five furlongs, took the lead mid-way of the

backstretch, and held on to beat Jabneh (114) by 1½ lengths, with *Akbar Khan (115) third.

Two weeks later he took on Round Table in the 1 3/16-mile United Nations Handicap, also on the grass. *Tudor Era (112) stayed within two lengths of the pace for a mile, drove to Round Table (118) at the eighth-pole, and matched strides with the 3-year-old colt during the last furlong, losing by a nose. Find (122) was third, two lengths back, followed by Career Boy (123), *Sunningdale (112), Hoop Band (119), *Rafty (115), Jabneh (114), Chevation (115), *Ben Lomond (112), and *Akbar Khan (116).

For the first time in his American career, *Tudor Era was top-weighted and favored in the 1¼-mile Philadelphia Turf Handicap on September 28. Carrying 122 pounds, he was second most of the way, but he weakened in the stretch and was beaten 2½ lengths by Chevation (111) and Hoop Band (116). Jabneh (112), Roman Battle (112), *Combustion II (114), *Clermont (116), *Akbar Khan (118), and Ekaba (113) were among those behind him.

*Tudor Era (118) dropped another close decision in the 1½-mile Turf Cup at Laurel on November 2. About one length back for seven furlongs, he caught the pace-setting Madok (114) about 30 yards from the finish, and was beaten a nose in the last jump by *Mahan (118), which went on to win the Washington, D. C., International nine days later.

Dropped back to six furlongs for his final start of the year, the Coral Gables Handicap at Tropical Park on December 14, *Tudor Era (121) made up six lengths in the final furlong to finish fourth to Gray Phantom (119), *St. Amour II (122), and Missile (116), beaten about three lengths.

In 1½ seasons of American racing *Tudor Era won nine of 28 starts, finished second six times and third five times, and earned \$88,760.

D. M. B. III

TURPITUDE, ch. g., 1955, Shut Out—*Lady Sophia II, by Chanteur II. Greentree Stud (Mrs. Charles S. Payson and John Hay Whitney), breeder; Greentree Stable, owner; John Gaver, trainer. 110

In June, 1956, the Thoroughbred Club of America held a yearling judging show at Greentree Farm, Lexington. Eight colts and nine fillies were led out, and each of the 100 members who attended was asked to rank the top four in each sex. One of the colts was a heavy-quartered chestnut by Shut Out out of the English mare *Lady Sophia II, and the TCA members ranked him seventh among the eight colts. He proved to be Greentree's best 2-year-old in 1957.

Fourth in his first race on July 20, Turpitude won his second start, a 5½-furlong test at Belmont on July 27. His next effort was in the winner-take-all Saratoga Special on August 12, and he ran a close third all the way, being beaten two lengths by *Grey Monarch and 1¼ lengths by Jester. Dark Tale, the only other starter, finished ten lengths back.

Five days later Turpitude was fourth, beaten seven lengths, in the Grand Union Hotel Stakes, but he turned in a better effort in the six-furlong Hopeful Stakes on August 31. Off slowly, he rushed into contention at the eighth-pole, then was unable to sustain his drive, finishing fourth to Rose Trellis, Louis d'Or, and Jimmer. The winner beat him three lengths, but the second and third horses were only a half-length in front of him.

In New York during the fall months Turpitude ran well against the second flight of 2-year-olds, but he was no factor in his three stakes, finishing eighth in the Cowdin, tenth in the Champagne, and seventh in the Remsen. His allowance races included a win over Staysail and Countess Marcy at 1¼ miles, a second to *Rise 'n Shine at a mile, and a second to Yemen at six furlongs. He finished the year with two wins, two

seconds, and a third in 11 starts and earnings of \$12,725. D. M. B. III

VENOMOUS, b. f., 1953, Mel Hash-Spiteful Sue, by Heather Broom. B. A. Dario, breeder and owner; William A. LaRue, trainer. —

Six furlongs was the limit for Venomous, but at that distance the New England-bred filly ranked among the best of her division in 1957. After winning at Laurel on April 30 and at Garden State Park on May 10, Venomous tried the six-furlong Colonial Handicap at Garden State Park on May 30. Carrying 118 pounds, she led all the way, beating Happy Princess (119) by 2½ lengths in 1:10. She was eased through the last furlong after leading by six lengths at the eighth-pole. Stolen Hour (112) was third, followed by Louise Bell (109), Hello Mom (112), Amoret (122), and Lycka (115).

Venomous, carrying top weight of 124 pounds, failed to show as much early speed as usual in the six-furlong Regret Handicap at Monmouth Park on June 22. She stayed about four lengths behind Miss Erlen (114) for five furlongs, but closed strongly, missing victory by a head. Jimminetty (112) was third.

An easy winner over Motor Line and Lord Jeep in a six-furlong race at Narragansett Park on July 1, Venomous made her only start of the year at seven furlongs in the Distaff Handicap at Belmont Park on July 20. She was with the leaders for six furlongs, then tired badly and finished unplaced to Searching.

Venomous (114) stayed within 1½ lengths of Decathlon (133) and Pine Echo (113) for a half-mile of the six-furlong John Alden Handicap at Suffolk Downs on October 5, then reluctantly gave in, finishing four lengths behind Lord Jeep (111) and Decathlon, which dead-heated for first.

Returned to competition against her

own sex for the six-furlong Interborough Handicap at Jamaica on October 17, Venomous (119) ran her best race of the year. Second to I Offbeat (114) for a half-mile, she shot to a three-length lead at the eighth-pole and lasted to beat Alanesian (3, 118) by a length. Sorceress (110) was third, followed by Searching (124), Outer Space (3, 115), Fanciful Miss (3, 110), Little Pache (113), Plotter (124), and five others.

Running against one New York's best overnight fields on October 26, Venomous was unplaced to By Jeepers, Bunny's Babe, Admiral Vee, Tick Tock, Ricci Tavi, Mr. Turf, and Porterhouse. It was her last race of the season.

D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1955	2	6	2	1	1	2	\$ 5,475
1956	3	9	6	0	0	3	17,425
1957	4	9	5	1	1	2	55,580
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		24	13	2	2	7	\$78,480

VERTEX, ch. c., The Rhymer-Kanace, by Case Ace. F. A. Piarulli, breeder and owner; J. F. Piarulli, trainer. 119

Frank A. Piarulli, who owns a chain of service stations near Camden, N. J., has bred a few Thoroughbreds each year for about 15 years. Until Vertex won the Choice Stakes in 1957 he never had owned a stakes winner.

In three starts at two Vertex won twice and finished fourth to Our Joy in the World's Playground Stakes. He received 114 pounds in the Experimental Free Handicap.

He began his 1957 campaign at Garden State Park on May 30, when he easily beat Amico, Dodger, and four others at six furlongs. Two weeks later Vertex (115) was unable to catch The Crack (113) in the six-furlong Select Handicap at Monmouth Park, but he closed 4½ lengths in the stretch to finish second. Irate (116) was third, followed by Jaunty John (110), Roommate (112),

Vertex returned to the winner's circle after Monmouth Park's Choice Stakes, in which he beat Dark Trust and Inswept. He also won the Boardwalk Handicap, placed in three stakes. Rider is Sam Boulmetis.



Turfotos

King Hairan (126), Soft Day (113), Missile (123), and Soul Pearl (106).

Vertex (114) won by seven lengths in the 1½-mile Choice Stakes on August 3, leading all the way. Dark Trust (114) was second, Inswept (122) third. His time of 1:49 was one-fifth of a second slower than the track record. Carrying 122 pounds, he set the pace in the 1¼-mile Ventnor Turf Handicap at Atlantic City on August 24, but weakened slightly in the last furlong, losing to *Ben Lomond (116) by a neck. Five lengths farther back was *Anxious Moment (115).

The 1½-mile Boardwalk Handicap at Atlantic City on September 2 was hardly a challenge. Under 120 pounds, he sprinted to a six-length lead in the first quarter, and was eased through the

final furlong, beating Assemblyman (116) by about two lengths.

Last start of the year for Piarulli's colt was the 1 3/16-mile Roamer Handicap at Jamaica on November 16, for which he was top-weighted with 123 pounds. Second to *Four Fathoms for seven furlongs, Vertex led briefly on the far turn, but in the stretch Promised Land (115) drew off to score by three lengths. After the race it was discovered that Vertex had thrown the shoe on his left fore foot, tearing away about a half-inch of the wall of his hoof.

D. M. B. III

Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	3	2	0	0	1	\$ 5,330
1957	3	8	5	3	0	0	67,308
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		11	7	3	0	1	\$72,638

WAR PIPER, ch. h., 1951, War Admiral—Evening Tide, by *Bull Dog. Coldstream Stud, Inc., breeder; Brae Burn Farm (James O. McCue), owner; Ed Holton, trainer. —

The 1957 Roseben Handicap at Belmont Park was the first stakes victory for the 6-year-old War Piper. The gaudy chestnut—a child with a whitewash brush could not have painted much more white on his legs—packed his 113 pounds to win the seven-furlong event in the good time of 1:24 $\frac{1}{2}$. His margin was only a neck over the fast-closing *St. Amour II. (115). War Piper was forced to circle his field to win the Roseben, but he always had shown his run late in a race.

War Piper's best previous season, at least for prestige, was in his 2-year-old year, when he ran second in the Tremont, Flash, Sanford, and Hopeful Stakes and was given 114 pounds in the Experimental Free Handicap. He was a son of the good winner and producer Evening Tide. James McCue bought him for \$18,000 at the 1952 Saratoga yearling sales. In his five seasons of racing War Piper won 11 of 60 races, was placed 19 times, and earned \$89,675. P. O'B.

WENDASY, ch. f., 1955, Your Host—Rampart, by Trace Call. Mrs. Helene K. Haggerty, breeder; Keswick Stables (Mrs. E. H. Augustus), owner; J. A. Radney, trainer. 111

Wendasy, third foal of the fine race mare Rampart (ARH 1948), was bred by Mrs. Helene K. Haggerty, who sold her to Mrs. E. H. Augustus' Keswick Stables for \$19,000 at the 1956 Saratoga sales. The filly required ten races to break her maiden, but in October and November she developed into one of the year's better 2-year-old fillies.

Wendasy's first October effort, and her 12th start, was the six-furlong Home Bred Handicap at Atlantic City, a race restricted to New Jersey-bred 2-year-olds. She stayed within a half-length of

the pace for a half-mile, then tired and finished fourth to My Warrior, beaten four lengths. In the New Jersey Breeders Stakes, six furlongs at Garden State Park on October 16, Wendasy was stronger in the stretch, drawing out to beat My Warrior by 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths. Royal Guest was third, another length back.

Wendasy closed her season in the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Marguerite Stakes, at Pimlico on November 16. She led all the way, although she was under a hard drive at the end to hold Crown, which reduced the final margin to a nose. Big Effort was third, seven lengths back, followed by Gleaming Star, Carrie Louise, and three others. The record: 16 starts, four wins, three seconds, \$33,654 earned.

D. M. B. III

WHITLEY, b. g., 1955, Better Self—Light Lady, by Sweeping Light. W. Arnold Hanger, breeder and owner; Max Hirsch, trainer. 120

A promising late-season development was W. Arnold Hanger's Whitley, whose dam was the good race mare Light Lady. He was the only 2-year-old to race with distinction against older horses.

Third in his first race, at Belmont Park on July 4, Whitley won a maiden event on July 13 and a non-winners-of-two test on July 20. In the Sapling Stakes at Monmouth Park on August 7 he finished seventh in the field of 11. Rested for nearly three months, Whitley returned to competition in a six-furlong race at Jamaica on October 31. He wore down Jimmer in the last furlong and won by 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths going away. Sir Robby was third, followed by Wing Jet, Stay-sail, Four Fives, Counter Spy, and Valley.

Misty Flight was favorite for the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ -mile Remsen Stakes six days later. Whitley, fourth choice at 8 to 1, remained about five lengths off the pace for five furlongs, made up ground quickly on the turn, and drew even with Misty Flight at the eighth-pole. Whitley's surge carried him to a slight lead at the

The finest race of Willamette's career was her victory over Bayou in the 1½-mile Coaching Club American Oaks. The classic was her only stakes placing.



Bert and Richard Morgan

sixteenth-pole, but he weakened near the end, Misty Flight coming back to win by a neck. Rose Trellis was third, 4½ lengths back, followed by Wing Jet, Nala, Staysail, Turpitude, Valley, and Yemen.

Whitley's last start was in the Pilgrim Handicap on November 28, for all ages at six furlongs. Carrying 110 pounds, top weight by the scale, he was close up all the way, but could not quite match the finishes of *St. Amour II (117) and Bunny's Babe (108), losing by a neck and a half-length. Hastego (114), Portersville (121), Decimal (124), and Wise Apple (106) trailed. All except Wise Apple, a 3-year-old, were four or older. According to the scale, 2-year-olds receive 17 pounds from 3-year-olds and 19 pounds from older horses in six-furlong races in November. The record: seven starts, three wins, one second, two thirds, \$16,630 earned.

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WILLAMETTE, b. f., 1954, Doswell-Sister Union, by *Blenheim II. C. T. Chenery, breeder and owner; J. Homer Hayes, trainer. 112

Two purchases from the auction ring were responsible for the winner of the 1957 Coaching Club American Oaks, Willamette. In 1948 Christopher T. Chenery paid \$6,500 for the mare Sister Union, with a foal at side, and in 1950 he paid \$20,000 for the yearling Doswell (Bull Lea-Highclere, by Jack High), which won only one of his 12 races before going to stud at Chenery's estate, The Meadows, Doswell, Va. Willamette, foaled there on February 26, 1954, was from his first crop.

Willamette fell as low as \$6,000 in the claiming ranks before winning a race as a 2-year-old. She continued in claimers, winning once at \$7,500 before she moved up to stakes company. A second in the Jeanne d'Arc behind Cousin Con late in

her 2-year-old season seemed to cinch her departure from claiming races.

At three she ran six times before winning on May 16, when she gained a close decision over Prophets Bell and and Huspah in ordinary time. In the one-mile Acorn Stakes, competing at level weights with the best fillies, she was beaten about 21 lengths by Bayou. A week later, at 1½ miles, the Chenery filly made a strong run to head Jota Jota, but the Cain Hoy filly came on again to finish a neck in front, in 1:50%. This was 11 days before the running of the Oaks.

Few horsemen or bettors thought there was much chance of beating Claiborne Farm's Bayou at level weight, but there were ten starters for the 1½-mile event which has provided six 3-year-old filly champions in the last 15 years. Bayou was 13-20, Willamette, 24-1.

Pillow Talk assumed the lead in the long race, which begins in the wilds of the Widener Course and then makes one of the few right-hand turns in American racing before meeting the main track. John Choquette had Willamette run straight from her outside post position, and when the rest of the field had completed the odd curve there she was in second place.

Pillow Talk put in six furlongs in 1:13½ and a mile in 1:38½ before she began to tire coming into the stretch. Willamette took over the lead, and everybody expected that Bayou would come up from fourth place. This move started, but it sputtered at the eighth-pole, and Willamette went serenely on her way to her only stakes victory. The Chenery filly had three-quarters of a length over Bayou at the finish and was timed in 2:16½, as fast as any winner but Next Move had been timed in the Oaks.

Willamette was named for the river area in Oregon where Mrs. Chenery was born. Fred Capossela, the track announcer, made one of his few mistakes by pronouncing it William-ette. Mrs. Chenery, who had held her peace while

the filly was a moderate performer, now called the pronunciation to Cappy's attention.

Willamette won one other race in her last eight starts of the year, and never again showed such speed as in the Oaks. The win was good enough, however, since she stepped out of her sex and age class to win at 1½ miles at Belmont. In the Ladies Handicap, at the same distance, Willamette (112) finished about 24 lengths behind Rare Treat (118).

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Year	Age	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Unpl.	Earned
1956	2	16	3	1	3	9	\$11,115
1957	3	19	3	1	1	14	59,950
		35	6	2	4	23	\$71,065

WING JET, dk. b. c., 1955, Papa Redbird—Monida's Jet, by Jet Pilot. George Welly, breeder; Merrick Stable (Nat Schulman and Irving Rosoff), owners; George Auerbach, trainer. 114

Wing Jet raced for claiming prices as low as \$6,500 during his first season of competition, and it was when he had a \$7,500 tag on his halter that trainer George Auerbach, who had done so well with Dictar, decided the time was ripe for a good claim. That was on June 12, and Auerbach haltered the colt in the name of the Merrick Stable of Nat Schulman and Irving Rosoff, of Brooklyn. Wing Jet ran twice more for a price, winning for \$10,000 and \$11,000.

Auerbach stepped Wing Jet up to allowance company early in July, and the colt closed well to be third, 2½ lengths behind Louis d'Or in :59½ for five furlongs. Three weeks later, on July 27, he was fourth to Turpitude, Counter Spy and Dark Tale at 5½ furlongs.

In the first stakes for which he was eligible Wing Jet romped home at 30-1. Under 122 pounds in the opening-day Flash Stakes at Saratoga, he closed more than a dozen lengths to win going

away from Counter Spy (118) and Louis d'Or (122). He was timed in 1:07% over a drying-out track. Under 119 pounds for the Sanford Stakes, his drive was too late, Louis d'Or (116) winning by 2½ lengths, with Deadeye Dick (119) second, a neck in front of Wing Jet.

The Sanford defeat damaged Wing Jet's reputation, but he certainly was better than his price of 24-1 in the Cowdin Stakes, Getting into his best stride very late in the 6½-furlong race, Wing Jet (117) weaved through the pack of thirteen from last place to finish fifth, three lengths off Jewel's Reward (124) and Nadir (117).

In his next race Wing Jet (122) beat Harrodsburg (116) and Miocene (116), coming from ten lengths off the pace to win in 1:25% for seven furlongs. Strangely enough, both times Wing Jet was asked to go a mile, he hung in the middle of his drive. This was the case in the Remsen Stakes; he made a strong run at the half-mile-pole, drew within a half-length of Misty Flight, just as suddenly fell back, finishing six lengths behind in fourth place. Wing Jet won five of 14 races, placed in three events, and earned \$27,140. P. O'B.

WIREY-MARKS, b. c., 1955, More Sun-Waymark, by Nedayr. Mrs. Jules Schwartz, breeder and owner; C. Ross, trainer. 114

Wirey-Marks did not compete in a stakes race, but he showed such good late-season form in New York overnight handicaps that Frank E. Kilroe gave him 114 pounds in the Experimental Free Handicap. A half-brother to the good colt Nah Hiss, Wirey-Marks broke his maiden in his seventh start, at Jamaica on October 17. He then finished second in two events for non-winners of two races before closing his campaign with three consecutive successes.

On November 7 Wirey-Marks beat the Saratoga Special winner *Grey

Monarch at six furlongs, leading from the start, shaking off Another Art after five furlongs, and holding *Grey Monarch's late challenge to score by one length. Nine days later in his first start at 1¼ miles, the overnight Flower Hill Handicap, Wirey-Marks (113) led all the way, beating Hustle (113) by a head after a stretch-long duel. Sir Bobby (117) was third, nine lengths back.

Last start of the year for Wirey-Marks was in a six-furlong handicap on November 26. Carrying top weight of 120 pounds, he led all the way to beat Golden Crown (108) by 2½ lengths, with Ebony Pearl (114) third. The record: 12 starts, four wins, four seconds, one third, \$25,650 earned.

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WOODLAWN, b. f., 1954, Challenge Me—Jeannie Pie, by Easy Mon. W. H. Veeneman, breeder; Mrs. W. H. Veeneman, owner; A. E. Mettz, trainer. ARH 1956. 110

Woodlawn won her first start of the year, in March at Gulfstream Park, and was denied another trip to the winner's circle in her remaining eleven races of 1957; but three stakes placings ranked her as one of the more competent of her division.

For the Black Eyed Susan Stakes at Pimlico on May 15, Woodlawn closed a wide gap to be third, about six lengths behind Pillow Talk and Jota Jota, as the winner ran the 1¼ miles in 1:45.

The best of her races was her second in the Cleopatra Handicap on June 17 at Arlington Park. Weighted six pounds below Romanita (121), Woodlawn made a strong stretch rally to come within a half-length of the topweight, which turned seven furlongs in 1:22%. Woodlawn followed this top-notch sprint effort with a good performance in the 1½-mile Coaching Club American Oaks, June 22 at Belmont Park. Losing considerable ground when forced to swing wide around the field, Woodlawn

finished third, beaten a bit over six lengths by the winner, Willamette. Bayou was second in the long event, and, while Woodlawn never threatened the first two, she ran a very good race under level weights of 121 pounds.

Woodlawn in 1956 had won two of eight races and earned \$16,865. In 1957 she won one of 11 races, placed four times, and earned \$17,225.

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YEMEN, ch. c., 1955, Bryan G.—Imperatrice, by Caruso. C. T. Chenery, breeder and owner; J. H. Hayes, trainer. 112

One of the nation's best handicap horses in 1951 was Bryan G., winner of the Questionnaire, Aqueduct, and Westchester Handicaps and the Pimlico Special. At the year's end he was given 122 pounds in the Blood-Horse Handicap, headed only by Hill Prince (130), Citation (127), and Palestinian (124). He raced creditably at five and six and retired to stud in 1954 with earnings of \$165,625.

Standing at C. T. Chenery's The Meadow, Doswell, Va., Bryan G. served 17 mares in his first season, the best of which probably was Imperatrice, herself a stakes winner and dam of Scattered, Imperium, and Squared Away. The product was Yemen, a chestnut colt foaled April 8, 1955, at Claiborne Farm, Paris, Ky.

Yemen at two resembled Squared

Away and Imperium, both good sprinters, much more than he did Scattered, which won the Pimlico and Coaching Club American Oaks. He had good speed from the gate, running his first quarters in 22 and 23 seconds, and usually tired in the stretch.

Unplaced at Saratoga on August 22 and at Belmont Park on September 6, Yemen scored his first victory on September 10, when he led all the way in a six-furlong race at Belmont Park to beat Turpitude by 1½ lengths. He led by four lengths at the eighth-pole, but had to be pushed hard in the final furlong.

Yemen was third for a half-mile in the 6½-furlong Cowdin Stakes on September 16, but he tired and finished last in the 13-horse field. A week later he led for five furlongs in a six-furlong race on the Widener Course, then finished third, five lengths behind Misty Flight.

On October 9 Yemen led all the way against a mediocre field at Belmont, winning a six-furlong race by ten lengths in 1:09½, a new track record. The track was sloppy, a condition which slows Belmont very little.

In a 1¼-mile race at Garden State Park on October 19 Yemen led for seven furlongs, and he held on better than usual in the last eighth, being beaten only 1½ lengths by Music Man Fox and Nadir, which dead-headed for first. In his last two starts, the Garden State and Remsen Stakes, Yemen led early, but faded after a half-mile. He won two of nine starts, finished third twice, and earned \$7,160.

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Steeplechasers

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With Belmont Park's infield undergoing a complete revamping during the spring of 1957, no steeplechase or hurdle races were carded in the New York area during this period. Aqueduct had closed the preceding year and its modern replacement was still a jumble of lines on an architect's drawing table. Prospects did not look too good for steeplechase and hurdle racing, which receives about one per cent of racing's monetary distribution.

However, as the spring season approached, the shadows disappeared with the announcement of longer meetings at

Delaware and Monmouth Parks followed by an announcement from the Greater New York Association that purse distribution at the Saratoga Springs session would be raised approximately \$70,000 over the preceding year. Steeplechasing's owners and trainers were assured that Belmont Park would be ready for fall competition and the United Hunts Racing Association went ahead with plans for its \$50,000-added Temple Gwathmey Steeplechase, the world's richest jumping race.

At the conclusion of the year major courses had disbursed \$662,190 in purse



From the painting by Richard Stone Reeves

Neji carried 173 pounds to victory in the Temple Gwathmey Steeplechase in 1957. The painting shows him before his 1955 Temple Gwathmey win.

money, an increase of \$11,620 over the 1956 figure. Hunt-race meetings in the East and Midwest disbursed an all-time record of \$107,368 for the year, as compared with \$100,298 offered in 1956. Adding the major course money with hunt-race purses, steeplechase and hurdle racing disbursed a gross of \$769,558 to better the sum of \$750,868 distributed in 1956.

In 1957 the fair sex completely dominated this rugged division. Mrs. Ogden Phipps, Mrs. M. G. Walsh and Mrs. H. T. McKnight finished in that order among the leading owners. Mrs. Phipps enjoyed a comfortable lead by winning 12 races and earning a gross of \$129,165 with her eight color-bearers. Winning 13 races, Mrs. Walsh's jumpers picked up a gross of \$74,415, while Mrs. McKnight closed the year with ten victories and stable earnings of \$56,910.

The title of "Steeplechasing's First Lady" becomes Mrs. Phipps. First gaining the crown in 1950, the popular sportswoman from Roslyn, Long Island, repeated in 1951. Close up for the next two years, she returned to the throne in 1954 and has been the sport's most

successful owner ever since. Until 1957, a major credit for her dominance went to G. H. (Pete) Bostwick, Mrs. Phipps' brother, and her trainer until he curtailed his activities.

Since the Temple Gwathmey Steeplechase Handicap, feature of the United Hunts Racing Association's meeting at Belmont Park, was raised to \$50,000 added in 1955, Mrs. Phipps has won each running. Scoring in 1955 with Neji, she registered in 1956 with Ancestor, while Neji was recovering from an injury sustained in the running of the Midsummer Hurdle Handicap at Monmouth Park. Cleverly brought back to racing in the fall of 1957 by Mrs. Phipps' new trainer, D. M. (Mike) Smithwick, Neji climaxed his season with a victory in the Gwathmey which shattered records on all sides.

Steeplechase "horse of the year" in 1955, Neji easily gained similar laurels in 1957 with three consecutive victories over brush fences at Belmont Park in the fall. Brought back to racing by Smithwick, after being absent since July, 1956, the champion made his seasonal debut in the Harbor Hill, early in the

NEJI

NEJI, ch. g., 1950	{	°Hunters Moon IV., b., 1936	{	Foxhunter	{	Foxlaw	{	Son-in-Law	
				Trimestral	{	Alope			
		Pearl Opal				Bruleur	{	William the Third	
						Pearl Maiden	{	Mistrella	
	{	Acca, ch., 1941	{	Annapolis	{	Man o' War	{	Chouberski	
				Panoply	{	Basse-Terre			
		Ladala				Ladkin	{	Phaleron	
						Tonala	{	Seashell	
						{	Fair Play		
						{	Mahubah		

Belmont Park meeting. With James Murphy making up most of the top weight assignment of 163 pounds, Neji finished fourth to his stablemate Ancestor, which had A. P. (Paddy) Smithwick up and was carrying the second-highest handicap of 158. Mrs. M. G. Walsh's Independence, a full brother to Bold Ruler, gained second money, while the Brookmeade Stable's His Boots nosed out Neji for third. Running over a new course, Ancestor established a record of 3:57½ for the 2½ miles over 12 obstacles.

Satisfied with Neji's comeback, the new trainer sent him postward in the 49th running of the Brook Steeplechase Handicap, a \$20,000-added event which Neji had annexed in 1954 and 1955. Shouldering top weight of 164 pounds, composed mainly of Paddy Smithwick, Neji came from seventh in a field of ten to defeat Mrs. Walsh's entry of Independence and Rythminhim by three lengths. Running over the recently-rebuilt course with no established time, Neji chalked up a record of 4:45½ for the 2½ miles and 13 jumps. Carrying the second-highest assignment of 161 pounds, Mrs. Phipps' Ancestor, with James Murphy up, cut out the pace for ten of the 13 brush fences and finished fifth. A frequent nemesis of Neji, Montpelier's Shipboard, did not compete. Although many jumpers had won the Brook on two occasions, Neji became the first to score a triple in the handicap.

The 7-year-old gelding had the 57th running of the Grand National Steeplechase Handicap as his next objective. Carrying a purse of \$30,000 added, the grueling event was contested over a new distance of 3½ miles. With Paddy Smithwick up, and sufficient lead to make up the top assignment of 168 pounds, Neji came from behind in a small field of five starters to defeat Independence by six lengths. Again running over a revamped course and at a new distance, Neji established a record of 6:15½ to score his second triumph in the Grand National.

Each year at Belmont Park the steeplechase program is concluded with the

Temple Gwathmey Steeplechase Handicap, feature of the two-day meeting sponsored by the United Hunts Racing Association. The 1957 renewal, the 34th running, carried a gross purse of \$57,725 and attracted an even dozen to compete Ancestor, winners in 1955 and 1956, over the 2½-mile distance. Neji and were coupled as Mrs. Ogden Phipps' entry.

Originally weighted with 170 pounds for the Gwathmey, Neji picked up a penalty of three pounds by virtue of his Brook victory, which was run after the release of weights. No horse ever had carried this impost on a major course in recent American steeplechase history and returned the winner. Sporting the Greentree silks, Jolly Roger had carried such weight in the 1927 renewal of the Temple Gwathmey, but could finish no better than second to Joseph E. Widener's Fairmount. The latter held the record for highweight victories in the steeplechase classic, scoring in 1927 and 1928 under the impost of 170 pounds.

Equipped with Paddy Smithwick, whip, spurs, and blinkers, Neji smashed records with ease in registering his third consecutive victory. In covering the 2½ miles and 13 brush fences he improved his own record, established in the Brook, and turned back Ancestor (160) by a seven-length margin. Fencing flawlessly over firm turf, the champion registered 4:42½, clipping 2½ seconds from his former mark.

This remarkable performance was a credit to trainer Mike Smithwick and his brother Paddy, who served as assistant trainer as well as jockey. Were not the sport of racing between the flags a rather minute segment of the American Thoroughbred sport, Neji's feats at Belmont Park might have gained more national attention. His sterling efforts did rate him as "steeplechase horse of the year" in polls conducted by the Thoroughbred Racing Associations of America and Triangle Publications. In a poll conducted by the *Turf and Sport Digest*, Neji received five votes as Horse

of the Year. The latter poll did not have a steeplechase division in its category of champions.

Neji was a powerful chestnut gelding by *Hunters Moon IV—Accra, by Annapolis. Bred and foaled at Mrs. Marion du Pont Scott's Montpelier, near Orange, Va., he was purchased as a 2-year-old by Rigan McKinney. When the former amateur rider dispersed his racing stable by auction at Belmont Park in 1953, Mrs. Phipps obtained Neji, then a 3-year-old maiden, for \$16,500. Neji made his first appearance in Mrs. Phipps' silks at the Monmouth County Hunt Racing Association's meeting on Amory L. Haskell's Red Bank, N. J., estate in October. One of a field of 14 in a six-furlong turf race, he finished fourth under the guidance of Monk Mergler, assistant trainer to Pete Bostwick.

Unsuccessful in three starts as a 4-year-old, Neji eventually broke his maiden over obstacles with a victory in the Belmont Park edition of the National Maiden Hurdle series on May 7, 1954. Showing evidence of his inherent class, he made a clean sweep of the series by winning the runnings held at Monmouth Park and Saratoga.

Highly successful over the brush fences and named "Steeplechase Horse of the Year" in 1955, he returned after his injury in 1956 to reap a gross sum of \$75,975 in 1957. This sent his all-time earnings to a net of \$233,740, moving him ahead of ElkrIDGE on the list of leading American steeplechase winners. Retired for many years, Kent Miller's great 'chaser closed his career with net earnings of \$230,630.

Accra, dam of Neji, also produced Songai, a *Flushing II gelding which is a stakes winner over hurdles, and Nahodah and Nala. The latter pair, both sons of *Nasrullah, race on the flat for Mrs. Scott's Montpelier. Nahodah has won stakes, while Nala was a promising 2-year-old winner in 1957.

Mike Smithwick also was the leading steeplechase trainer in the money-won

and races-won divisions. In addition to Mrs. Phipps' horses, he had those of Mrs. H. T. McKnight's stable, which finished third on the money-winning list with gross earnings of \$56,910. The youthful conditioner from Hyde, Md., garnered a gross of \$218,820 for his patrons. This sum for a year's effort had never been approached by any other trainer in the history of steeplechasing. It accounted for 30 per cent of the \$769,558 disbursed on major courses and at hunt race meetings in 1957. During the year Smithwick sent out the winners of 38 races over brush, hurdles, and timber. Also to his credit was one winner on the flat at a hunt race meeting.

Assisting his brother with training duties, Paddy Smithwick topped the American steeplechase riders for the second straight year. Accepting 125 mounts during 1957, the long, lean 30-year-old jockey scored with 29 of his mounts over jumps and won two flat races at hunt race meetings. His most notable victories, of course, were registered with Neji.

Others prominent in steeplechase and hurdle racing during 1957:

*DARUBINI, ch. g., 1952, by Dante—Dodoma II, by Dastur, bred in Ireland by the Aga Khan and Prince Aly Khan, owned by Mrs. H. T. McKnight, trained by D. M. Smithwick. Won Rouge Dragon Hurdle Handicap on a disqualification, at Belmont Park; the Weldship, over hurdles at Saratoga; and the National Maiden Hurdle Stakes at Monmouth Park.

IDEAL VIEW, b. g., 1953, by Round View—New Idea, by Discovery, bred and owned by Sanford Stud Farms, trained by Hollie Hughes. Won the \$22,000 invitational Midsummer Hurdle Handicap at Monmouth Park, America's richest hurdle race; also, an allowance race at Delaware Park over hurdles.

INDEPENDENCE, b. h., 1952, by *Nasrullah—Miss Disco, by Discovery, bred by Wheatley Stable, owned by Mrs. M. G. Walsh, trained by M. G.

(Mickey) Walsh. The full brother of Bold Ruler won the Broad Hollow Steeplechase at Belmont Park; a \$6,000 steeplechase at Saratoga, setting a new course record for two miles (4:12%); and the \$7,500 Shillelah Purse at Saratoga.

SHIPBOARD, ch. g., 1950, by Battleship—Sea Borne, by Annapolis, bred and owned by Mrs. Marion du Pont Scott, trained by R. G. Woolfe. The former champion placed in four stakes during the year and won the \$20,000-added Saratoga Steeplechase Handicap under

top weight (161), defeating Independence and Ancestor.

RYTHMINHIM, b. g., 1950, by *Rhodes Scholar—Miss Gravity, by Gallant Fox, bred by Penn Brothers, owned by Mrs. M. G. Walsh, trained by M. G. Walsh. Sustaining a separated pelvis when narrowly defeated by Neji in the 1955 Temple Gwathmey, Rythminhim returned to win the 36th running of the Manly Steeplechase, Fair Hill, Md.; the \$10,000-added Indian River, Delaware Park; and the Broadview Purse, Warrenton, Va.

Blood-Horse Handicap

4-Year-Olds and Up, 1½ Miles

Note. The following appraisals of the best older horses and 3-year-olds were made by Frank G. (Pat) Farrell, who included a few of the leading sprinters, though the handicaps are based mainly on apparent merit at a distance of 1½ miles. The Experimental Free Handicap of 2-year-olds of 1957, compiled by Frank E. Kilroe for The Jockey Club, is based on a hypothetical race at a distance of 1½ miles in the fall of the 2-year-old season.

- 130 BARDSTOWN, 5, *Alibhai—Twilight Tear, by Bull Lea.
- 129 DEDICATE, 5, *Princequillo—Dini, by John P. Grier.
SWOON'S SON, 4, The Doge—Swoon, by Sweep Like.
- 127 SUMMER TAN, 5, *Heliopolis—Miss Zibby, by Omaha.
- 124 THIRD BROTHER, 4, *Princequillo—Hildene, by Bubbling Over.
- 123 FIND, 7, Discovery—Stellar Role, by Bimelech.
- 122 RENEGED, 4, Revoked—White Samite, by Gallant Fox.
TRAFFIC JUDGE, 5, *Alibhai—Traffic Court, by Discovery.
- 121 NEEDLES, 4, Ponder—Noodle Soup, by Jack High.
PORTERHOUSE, 6, *Endeavour II—Red Stamp, by Bimelech.
- 120 DECATHLON, 4, Olympia—Dog Blessed by *Bull Dog.
FABIUS, 4, Citation—Shameen, by *Royal Minstrel.
RICCI TAVI, 4, *Rico Monte—Sea Snack, by Hard Tack.
SOCIAL CLIMBER, 4, Your Host—Wisteria, by *Easton.
- 119 EDDIE SCHMIDT, 4, Count Speed—Paradise, by *Alibhai.
MANASSAS, 4, Bull Run—Laura Lee, by *Princequillo.
MIDAFTERNOON, 5, Billings—Mideau, by *Bull Dog.
MISTER GUS, 6, *Nasrullah—*Fichu, by Colombo.

- 118 GREEK SPY, 4, Greek Song-Spy Ship, by Slave Ship.
OH JOHNNY, 4, Johns Joy-Saracen Flirt, by Pilate.
†PUCKER UP, 4, Olympia-Lou Lea, by Bull Lea.
RILEY, 4, Hill Prince-Easy Living, by *Heliopolis.
- 117 ADMIRAL VEE, 5, War Admiral-Yankee Flirt, by *Blenheim II.
CAREER BOY, 4, Phalanx-Swanky, by *Mahmoud.
†PRINCESS TURIA, 4, *Heliopolis-Blue Delight, by Blue Larkspur.
*ST. AMOUR II, 4, Palestine-Lady Dushka, by *Blenheim II.
TERRANG, 4, *Khaled-Flying Choice, by Flying Heels.
- 116 †BORNASTAR, 4, *Alibhai-Farmerette, by *Sickle.
DOGOON, 5, The Doge-Swoon, by Sweep Like.
GRAY PHANTOM, 4, *Ambiorix-Grey Flight, by *Mahmoud.
HONEYES ALIBI, 5, *Alibhai-Honeymoon, by *Beau Pere.
KINGMAKER, 4, *Princequillo-Raise You, by Case Ace.
TICK TOCK, 4, Double Jay-Up Early, by Sun Again.
- 115 GO LIGHTLY, 5, Faultless-Whirling Lark, by Whirlaway.
HOOP BAND, 4, Hoop, Jr.-Patricia P., by Pilate.
JOE JONES, 7, Stymie-Moon Maiden, by *Challenger II.
*MAHAN, 6, *Avenger II-*Sans Tares, by Sind.
PORTERSVILLE, 5, Count Fleet-Artena, by Questionnaire.
†SEARCHING, 5, War Admiral-Big Hurry, by Black Toney.
SWITCH ON, 6, Condiment-Tactic, by *Sickle.
*TUDOR ERA, 4, Owen Tudor-Erica Fragrans, by Big Game.
- 114 *AKBAR KHAN, 5, Tehran-*Hastra, by Hyperion.
ARROGATE, 6, *Goya II-Hug Again, by Stimulus.
*HOLANDES II, 4, Full Sail-Highstar, by Hunter's Moon.
PAPER TIGER, 6, Stymie-Ally Bal, by *Challenger II.
†PLOTTER, 4, Double Jay-Conniver, by Discovery.
SPINNEY, 4, Cover Up-Mrs. Rabbit, by Milkman.
- 113 CORN HUSKER, 4, *Endeavour II-Miss Nebraska, by Omaha.
JABNEH, 5, Bimelech-Bellesoeur, by *Beau Pere.
MAHARAJAH, 6, *Mahmoud-Bimlette, by Bimelech.
†RARE TREAT, 5, Stymie-Rare Perfume, by Eight Thirty.
SEA O ERIN, 6, *Shannon II-*Chantress, by Hyperion.
THINKING CAP, 5, Rosemont-Camargo, by *Heliopolis.
- 112 AESCHYLUS, 5, *Orestes III-Barbara R., by *Aethelstan II.
†AMORET, 5, Bull Lea-Mar-Kell, by *Blenheim II.
CHEVATION, 6, *Alibhai-Fairy Chant, by Chance Shot.
HEAD MAN, 4, Eight Thirty-Snowfall, by *Mahmoud.
HELFEST, 6, *Heliopolis-Color Fast, by *Beau Pere.
†MANOTICK, 5, Double Jay-*Scenery II, by Biribi.
MUNCHAUSEN, 5, Mighty Story-Bavardia, by Blue Larkspur.
NAHODAH, 4, *Nasrullah-Accra, by Annapolis.
†PARDALA, 4, Pardal-*Double Deal II, by Straight Deal.
*ROYAL BEACON II, 4, *Royal Charger-Sylvan Queen, by King Salmon.
TELLARIAN, 4, Eight Thirty-*Tellaris, by Pharis.

- 111 ALIDON, 6, *Alibhai-*Donavol, by Donatello II.
 *CLERMONT, 5, Churrinche-Pontoise, by Pont l'Eveque.
 COUNTERMAND, 4, Greek Song-Everget, by Snark.
 †DOTTED LINE, 4, *Princequillo-Inscribe, by Brazado.
 ESPEA, 4, Olympia-Brown Biscuit, by Sir Andrew.
 HOW NOW, 4, Beau Max-But Why Not, by Blue Larkspur.
 INFANTRY, Phalanx-*Miss Alesia, by Milon.
 MOTOR LINE, Bimelech-*Adversaria, by Albacea.
 PIT BOSS, 4, Petition-*Ndara, by Nearco.
- 110 BATTLE DANCE, 5, Bolero-War Ribbon, by Bimelech.
 BEAM RIDER, 4, Poised-Join the Fleet, by Count Fleet.
 †BEAUTILLION, 4, *Noor-Delta Queen, by Bull Lea.
 †MISS TODD, 4, Your Host-Rosella, by War Relic.
 MR. FIRST, 6, Incoming-Twink-Mo, by Mokatam.
 ROCKCASTLE, 5, Ferment-Fair Columbia, by *Pharamond II.
 TRENTONIAN, 5, Bull Lea-Iron Maiden, by War Admiral.
- 109 BESOMER, 4, Double Jay-Little Martha, by Rosemont.
 BLUE VOLT, 8, Blue Swords-Volotime, by Diavolo.
 CAVORT, 5, *Goya II-Bramble Bug, by Display.
 COUNT CHIC, 4, Count Speed-Chicella, by Chicuelo.
 MR. TURF, 8, Sun Again-Thine, by *Sir Gallahad III.
 OCLIROCK, 6, Nelson Dunstan-Yasum, by Black Servant.
 †*OUR BETTERS, 5, *My Babu-Better So, by Mieuxce.
 *POSADAS, 6, Poster-Bonne Dame, by Noirmoutiers.
- 108 NAN'S MINK, 4, I Will-Briarside, by *Sun Briar.
 †NOORAN, 5, *Noor-Sea Gold, by Seabiscuit.
 SIR TRIBAL, 6, *Tribal II-Nigella, by Sir Andrew.
- 107 †ATTICA, 4, Mr. Trouble-Athenia, by *Pharamond II.
 *BLUE CHOIR, 6, *Menetrier-*Fleur Bleue, by Deux pour Cent.
 †LITTLE PACHE, 4, Apache-Little Spooky, by Jamestown.
 PYLADES, 4, *Orestes III-Cannobie Lee, by Lochinvar.
- 106 CALL ME LUCKY, 4, *Mahmoud-Mystery Lady, by *Bull Dog.
 *FESTIN, 5, Black Out-Figuranta, by Lord Wembley.
 RAMROD, 4, *Rico Monte-Hand Organ, by *Strolling Player.
- 105 †ANNIE-LU-SAN, 4, *Khaled-Wheel Home, by Questionnaire.
 NEW HOLLAND, 4, Salmagundi-Doe-Bert, by Flares.

†Filly.

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Blood-Horse Handicap

3-Year-Olds, 1½ Miles

- 130 BOLD RULER, *Nasrullah–Miss Disco, by Discovery.
- 129 *GALLANT MAN, Migoli–*Majideh, by *Mahmoud.
ROUND TABLE, *Princequillo–*Knight's Daughter, by Sir Cosmo.
- 127 GEN. DUKE, Bull Lea–Wistful, by Sun Again.
- 126 IRON LIEGE, Bull Lea–Iron Maiden, by War Admiral.
- 124 CLEM, *Shannon II–Impulsive, by Supremus.
- 122 FEDERAL HILL, Cosmic Bomb–Ariel Beauty, by Ariel.
- 119 MANTEAU, Citation–Stole, by *Blenheim II.
PROMISED LAND, Palestinian–Mahmoudess, by *Mahmoud.
VERTEX, The Rhymer–Kanace, by Case Ace.
- 117 †BAYOU, Hill Prince–Bourtai, by Stimulus.
*BEN LOMOND, Alycidon–Phaetonia, by Nearco.
COHOES, *Mahmoud–Belle of Troy, by Blue Larkspur.
MISTER JIVE, Mr. Music–Joy Forever, by *Pharamond II.
- 116 ASSEMBLYMAN, Menow–Libba, by Sir Damion.
BUREAUCRACY, Polynesian–Busanda, by War Admiral.
INSWEPT, Faultless–Sweep In, by *Blenheim II.
JOE PRICE, *Noor–Countess Molly, by Menow.
- 115 BETTER BEE, Triplicate–S. Bee, by Haste.
†EVENING TIME, Citation–Darby Dunedin, by *Blenheim II.
GREEK GAME, Olympia–Sunday Supper, by Questionnaire.
INSIDE TRACT, Ace Admiral–Mary Terry, by Terry.
SIR WILLIAM, Rover–Jodot, by Peace Chance.
SWIRLING ABBEY, *King's Abbey–Many Waters, by Johnstown.
- 114 FIELD OF HONOR, Blue Swords–Lucky Shamrock, by *Sherab.
†HERE AND THERE, Middleground–Scattered, by Whirlaway.
KING HAIRAN, King's Stride–Lady Hairan, by *Hairan.
†MARKET BASKET, *Radiotherapy–Sybil, by *Beau Pere.
†ROMANITA, Roman–Mablen, by *Blenheim II.
- 113 †ALANESIAN, Polynesian–Alablue, by Blue Larkspur.
INDIAN CREEK, Olympia–Blenhara, by *Blenheim II.
JET COLONEL, Jet Pilot–Queen of May, by *Challenger II.
†PILLOW TALK, Mr. Trouble–Hipparete, by *Pharamond II.
†PINK VELVET, Polynesian–Bayrose, by *Sir Gallahad III.
PRINCE KHALED, *Khaled–Grey Miss, by Greylord.
†SNOW WHITE, Counterpoint–White Lady, by *Mahmoud.
- 112 EKABA, Volcanic–Charlese, by Unbreakable.
†MLLE. DIANNE, Call Over–Baymelia, by Supremus.
NASHVILLE, *Nasrullah–Bonnie Beryl, by Fighting Fox.
†OUTER SPACE, Saggy–Supersonic, by Devil Diver.
†WILLAMETTE, Doswell–Sister Union, by *Blenheim II.

- 111 HARMONIZING, Counterpoint—Baby League, by Bubbling Over.
 †JOTA JOTA, Double Jay—Hopefully, by *Challenger II.
 †LIGHT 'N LOVELY, *Alibhai—Within Bounds, by *Beau Pere.
 †LORI-EL, Eternal Reward—Trefoil, by Grand Admiral.
 *LUCKY DIP, Alizier—Happy Grace, by His Grace.
 PEARL PRINCE, Attention—Depth Pearl, by Valдина Orphan.
 †ROSEWOOD, Bull Lea—Easy Lass, by *Blenheim II.
- 110 BARBIZON, Polynesian—Good Blood, by Bull Lea.
 GAMA, War Admiral—Carolina Queen, by *Bull Dog.
 GOLDEN NOTES, Beau Max—Melodic, by Blue Larkspur.
 †GREAT PRIDE, Model Cadet—Ultra Modern, by Bimelech.
 JOCKO'S WALK, Billings—Barracoon, by *Heliopolis.
 †PAMPER ME, Alsab—Blandish, by *Blenheim II.
 PERTSHIRE, Stymie—Mons Meg, by *Pharamond II.
 POP CORN, *Nirgal—Boomdeay, by Amphitheatre.
 †WOODLAWN, Challenge Me—Jeannie Pie, by Easy Mon.
- 109 AMBEHAVING, *Ambiorix—Dentifrice, by Reaping Reward.
 EZGO, Olympia—Patricia P., by Pilate.
 †LEALLAH, *Nasrullah—Lea Lark, by Bull Lea.
 NAH HISS, Call Over—Waymark, by Nedayr.
 *SEANEEN, *Royal Charger—Tir an Oir, by Tehran.
 SHAN PAC, *Shannon II—*Pacifica II, by Puro Habano.
 †TELERAN, Eight Thirty—*Tellaris, by Pharis.
- 108 †FANCIFUL MISS, King Dorsett—Hianne, by Jack High.
 †I OFFBEAT, War Relic—Missmahoot, by Halcyon.
 *IRISHER, Hindostan—*Early Sunrise, by Sol Oriens.
 LYFORD CAY, Chop Chop—Famous Maid, by *Fairaris.
 MISSILE, War Relic—Inajiffy, by *Heliopolis.
 ONE-EYED KING, *Nasrullah—Siana, by Tiger.
 TENACIOUS, Challedon—Dorothy B. Jr., by *Brown King.
- 107 †BLUEBILITY, Blue Swords—Aristocracy, by *Bull Dog.
 IRATE, General Staff—Barbara Childs, by Clock Tower.
 †LADY LaRUE, *Adaris—Raider LaRue, by Sky Raider.
 WE TRUST, On Trust—Woodford Rose, by Halcyon.
- 106 †MARULLAH, *Nasrullah—Marguery, by *Sir Gallahad III.
 OLIGARCHY, *Alibhai—Elite, by Blue Larkspur.
 SAG'S GEM, Saggy—Crown Jewel, by Case Ace.
 TRUE VERDICT, Attention—Goyette, by *Goya II.
- 105 BLUE SPRUCE, *Endeavour II—Blue Cyprus, by Blue Larkspur.
 GOLD COVER, Cover Up—Miss Amie, by Ladkin.
 GOLDEN ONE, Mount Marcy—New Queen, by Khamseen.
 JEDGAR RULER, *Nasrullah—Shy Katie, by Roman.
 LIBERAL ART, Lassator—Lost Art, by Artillery.
 MELSON, Kudos—Mel Cavano, by *Isolater.
 †MISS BLUE JAY, Double Jay—Short Supply, by Tiger.
 MOON CRAZY, Fighting Fox—*Moon Star II, by Hyperion.
 PRO-BRANDY, Double Brandy—Proverb, by *Aethelstan II.
 PROMETHEAN, *Promethee—*La Paloma III, by War Lord.
 THE SEARCHER, Phalanx—Silver Fog, by *Mahmoud.
- †Filly.

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Experimental Free Handicap

2-Year-Olds, 1 1/16 Miles

- 126 JEWEL'S REWARD, Jet Jewel-Belle Jeep, by War Jeep.
- 125 NADIR, *Nasrullah-Gallita, by *Challenger II.
- 124 JESTER, Tom Fool-Golden Apple, by Eight Thirty.
- 123 LI'L FELLA, *Nirgal-Radio Time, by Eight Thirty.
- 122 MISTY FLIGHT, *Princequillo-Grey Flight, by *Mahmoud.
- 121 KENTUCKY PRIDE, Bull Lea-Blue Delight, by Blue Larkspur.
 OLD PUEBLO, *Windy City II-Shadows Fall, by Ariel.
 ROSE TRELLIS, *Heliopolis-Rose Fern, by Fairy Manhurst.
 TERRA FIRMA, Ky. Colonel-Bellerine, by Sir Damion.
- 120 †IDUN, *Royal Charger-Tige O'Myheart, by Bull Lea.
 WHITLEY, Better Self-Light Lady, by Sweeping Light.
- 119 ALHAMBRA, Olympia-Robins Charm, by Epithet.
 NALA, *Nasrullah-Accra, by Annapolis.
- 118 STRONG RULER, Olympia-Heavenly Blue, by Blue Larkspur.
- 117 BOLERO U., Bolero-Big Lu, by Challedon.
 FLEET NASRULLAH, *Nasrullah-Happy Go Fleet, by Count Fleet.
 MUSIC MAN FOX, Roman-War Swept, by Man o' War.
 NISHT AMOOL, Stymie-Precipitate, by Contradiction.
 PLION, Greek Ship-Tree Fly, by *Isolater.
 SILKY SULLIVAN, *Sullivan-Lady N Silk, by *Ambrose Light.
- 116 CRASHER, Your Host-*Ingalill, by Manna.
 STAYSAIL, *Half Crown-Sea Snack, by Hard Tack.
- 115 ELEGANTE, De Luxe-Handy Lass, by Sweep All.
 †POLY HI, Polynesian-Highfortidies, by *Jacopo.
 JIMMER, Bolero-Our Bobbie, by *Flushing II.
 †SEQUOIA, *Princequillo-*The Squaw II, by *Sickle.
- 114 CHANCE IT TONY, Challenge Me-South Seas, by Polynesian.
 †A GLITTER, *Khaled-A Gleam, by *Blenheim II.
 DISDAINFUL, *Royal Serenade-*La Veine, by Prince Chevalier.
 FLEET FEET, Fleeting Star-Miss Tech, by *Sickle.
 LEVELATION, Occupation-Upper Level, by *Sickle.
 †MOON GLORY, *Norseman-Moonflower, by *Bull Dog.
 TIMES ACE, *Khaled-*Dama II, by Dante.
 WING JET, Papa Redbird-Monida's Jet, by Jet Pilot.
 WIREY-MARKS, More Sun-Waymark, by Nedayr.
- 113 †GUIDE LINE, *Nasrullah-Lurline B., by *Alibhai.
 *GREY MONARCH, Grey Sovereign-*White Lodge, by Casanova.
- 112 †ARMORIAL, Battlefield-*Tellaris, by Pharis.
 FLEAGLE, Your Host-Laatokka, by *Pharamond II.

- FULCRUM, Spy Song–Fulmar, by *Hairan.
 LEATHER BUTTON, Phar Mon–Chall Amaze, by Challedon.
 LOUIS D'OR, Centime–Irish Magpie, by *Shannon II.
 McTAVISH, *Khaled–Scottish Miss, by *Alibhai.
 *RISE 'N SHINE, Hyperion–Deodora, by Dante.
 SILVER SHIP, I Will–Ghost Ship, by Bold Venture.
 STRONG BAY, Admiral Lea–Green Apples, by Caruso.
 YEMEN, Bryan G.–Imperatrice, by Caruso.
- 111 A DRAGON KILLER, Roman Sandal–Lutza, by Market Wise.
 BELLEAU CHIEF, Greek Ship–Belle Revoke, by Revoked.
 CIRCLE LEA, Admiral Lea–Family Circle, by *Beau Pere.
 †CROWN, Mount Marcy–Anchors Ahead, by Man o' War.
 DEADEYE DICK, Devil Diver–Gaymar, by *Pharamond II.
 GREEK CHIEF, *Ambiorix–Greek Blond, by *Heliopolis.
 †HASTY DOLL, Roman–Legendra, by *Challenger II.
 †POCAHONTAS, Roman–How, by *Princequillo.
 RELLIM S. W., *Djeddah–Dear Diane, by Alsab.
 SIR ROBBY, Papa Redbird–Owner's Aboard, by *Sir Gallahad III.
 †WENDASY, Your Host–Rampart, by Trace Call.
- 110 CAN TRUST, On Trust–Canina, by *Bull Dog.
 COUNTER SPY, Spy Song–Belle Histoire, by Blue Larkspur.
 †CRAFTINESS, Crafty Admiral–Chaddon Miss, by *Challenger II.
 FIRST FAIR, First Fiddle–*Nuit de Deauville, by Fair Copy.
 HILL COUNTRY, *Heliopolis–Army Colors, by Man o' War.
 HILLSDALE, Take Away–Johann, by Johnstown.
 HUBCAP, Boodle–Rub–Adub–Dub, by Pensive.
 ISENDU, Inyureye–Itsabet, by *Heliopolis.
 JUDGE, Errard–Wild Ecstasy, by Questionnaire.
 MARTIN'S RULLAH, *Nasrullah–Sky Katie, by Roman.
 †MARGARETTA, Beau Max–La Marga, by Depth Charge.
 OLYMAR, Olympia–Valdina Marl, by *Teddy's Comet.
 †SALLY LEE, Anyoldtime–*Pusilla, by Dastur.
 TURPITUDE, Shut Out–*Lady Sophia II, by Chanteur II.
- 109 AHMED, *Mahmoud–Rare Perfume, by Eight Thirty.
 HIP HIP HURRAY, Discovery–Hula, by Polynesian.
 LITTE REAPER, Hypothetical–Miss Militant, by Zacaweista.
 †MEANT WELL, Intent–Countess Molly, by Menow.
 †MELODY MINE, The Doge–Magic Melody, by Zacaweista.
 RICO REE, *Rico Monte–Refined, by Menow.
 †STOLE THE RING, Bull Page–Casa Camara, by *Siete Colores.
- 108 AMBITWIXT, *Ambiorix–Course North, by Case Ace.
 †BRIDGEWORK, Occupy–*Feale Bridge, by Gold Bridge.
 FIRE ALARM, Re–Armed–Aragawan, by *Alibhai.
 FURYVAN, Good Ending–*Vancouver, by Manitoba.
 NOUREDIN, *Noor–Castanea, by Menow.
 †OIL RICH, Phalanx–Oil Princess, by Errard.
 PRIZE HOST, Your Host–Lismore Liz, by Psychic Bid.
 SIR RULER, *Nasrullah–My Emma, by *Isolater.
 †TEMPTED, *Half Crown–Enchanted Eve, by Lovely Night.
 WARHEAD, Battle Morn–Headfirst, by Eurasian or Head Play.

- 107 †BEAU MADISON, They Say–Finger Bell, by Tick On.
 †CARRIE LOUISE, Dark Star–Cheboygan, by Count Gallahad.
 CLANDESTINE, Double Jay–Conniver, by Discovery.
 DEEP STUDY, On the Mark–Silent Study, by Johnstown.
 †GLORIOUS NYMPH, °Reading II–Paula’s Nymph, by Sweeping Light.
 †KAPITOR, Okapi–°Tora, by Orthodox.
 †LOCUST TIME, Spy Song–Snow Goose, by °Mahmoud.
 †LOPAR, °Heliopolis–Fairy Palace, by Pilate.
 †MY CARRIE, °Goya II–Ultra, by War Admiral.
 NUNYA, Prophets Thumb–Mel Helen, by Apprehension.
 PIANO JIM, °Bernborough–Blue Denim, by Blue Larkspur.
 †POLAMBY, °Ambiorix–Polnettie, by Polynesian.
 ROMAN BOW, Roman Sandal–Bowsprit, by Bud Lerner.
 TITANIUM, Lodge Night–Wiseasyou, by Wise Counsellor.
- 106 †ABIENOT, General Staff–Proverb, by °Aethelstan II.
 BACKBONE, Worden–°Shooting High, by Hyperion.
 †BIG EFFORT, °Endeavour II–Sun Mixa, by °Sun Briar.
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 †DANDY BLITZEN, Bull Dandy–Spiteful Sue, by Heather Broom.
 DARK TALE, Crafty Admiral–Winter’s Tale, by Bimelech.
 †DELNITA, Requested–Flyamanita, by Petrose.
 †GLEAMING STAR, °Mahmoud–Swistar, by Pavot.
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 †MOVITAVE, Colonel Mike–Littlewhitelie, by Ramillies.
 †MRS. E. B., Olympia–More Delight, by °Pharamond II.
 MICHORE, by °Miche–Ore-the-Lea, by Bull Lea.
 †SALON, Occupy–Femme Fatale, by Discovery.
 TALENT SHOW, Olympia–Royal Lily, by °Bull Dog.
- 105 †CONTEBAN, Count Fleet–Banish, by Count Gallahad.
 †COUNTESS MARCY, Mount Marcy–New Count, by Count Fleet.
 GLEEMAN, °Beau Gem–Versify, by The Rhymer.
 †QUIG FLAME, Flaming Fleet–Floredna, by °Heliopolis.
 TEMPIS FUGIT, Eternal Reward–Kantast, by °Kantar.
- 104 †BIG FRIGHT, Phalanx–Ghost Run, by Boojum.
 SPRINGHILL, Roman Bout–Brogee, by Broadside.
- †Filly.

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